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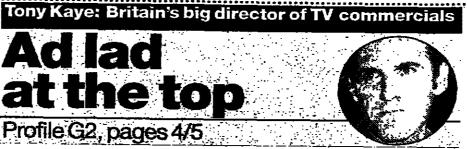
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Labour stakes £1.5bn on lost young

Jobs plan focus for party unity

ship will stage a spectacular display of unity this week nerves and persuade voters that a Blair-led cabinet can provide an effective package of policy measures to rescue the "lost generation"

of 600,000 young unemployed. A three-pronged £1.5 billion programme intended to proobs and training opportunities for the 16 to 25 age clean-up of vandalised neighcrime — will be unveiled on Wednesday by Tony Blair and his key lieutenants in the social policy field.

It comes as fresh glimpses emerge of simmering rivalries over policy battles and prestige as the prospect of power gets closer and more vocal backbench MPs voice resentment at the disciplines imposed by Mr Blair's two-

year leadership. Though designed to signal a radical shift of funds towards education and training for the neediest youngsters, Wednesday's "lost generation" initia-tive — entitled Target 2000: a New Deal for the Under 25s will not embrace the wider issue of higher and further education funding at this

But student loans, grants and fees will all be reviewed. And next weekend's regular meeting of Labour's national policy forum will be asked to endorse the "lifelong learning" proposals agreed be-tween the shadow chancellor. Gordon Brown, and the edu-cation spokesman, David

They will include a revival of the principle of some form of graduate tax to help finance rapidly expanding op-tions, and will be unveiled in mid-summer. As with Mr Brown's forthcoming review of child benefit for the 16-plus group, there will be "winners and losers" as Labour seeks to reshape public spending without rapidly expanding it.

Central to the Target 2000 package are:

A commitment to abolish A commitment to aboust the £550 million Youth Training system in which half the 16 to 18-year-old participants currently drop out before completion. It will be replaced by a new youth training guarantee that will properties that all youngsters not ensure that all youngsters not in full-time education will get training to a minimum

qualification:

More details of the welfareto-work package which Mr Brown unveiled, amid controversy, last winter. Labour

☐ Positive proposals to prevent crime, and the drift into criminality, by enlisting proving the social and physical environment by cleaning

enters the final straight.

intervention, possibly by Labour's chief whip, Donald Dewar, to ease the widely documented coolness between Mr Brown and Peter Mandelson, who chairs the election

ings with backbenchers had produced a few outbursts.

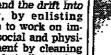
Mr Brown, Mr Blunkett,

reformist decisions.
One likely victim of the need for discipline in the face of the coming Tory onslaught

The money for the pro

these are not the only tensions, personal and policydriven, in Labour's upper ranks, with Mr Brown criticised by some shadow col-leagues both for his dogged austerity over spending pledges and what critics see as the free rein Mr Blair gives him to roam across depart-mental boundaries to initiate

is now expected to be the annual shadow cabinet elec-tions in November. A plan to stage them early in July, to avoid distracting MPs from the real election in the autumn, was ditched by the Parlaimentary Labour Party (PLP) last week. Before July MPs expect to be asked to give



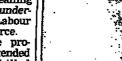
grammes, initially intended to reach 700,000 unskilled young people not in work or training, will come partly from the £1 billion windfall

MPs on both sides of the

planning group.
As with John Major's team,

social security spokesman Chris Smith, and the shadow

would provide a mixture of up all thoughts of voting out jobs and training for the 300,000 people a year aged be-



Environmental Task Force.

and partly from abolishing bourhoods as an antidote to YT, with up to £150 million more coming from redirected money now spent by the training and enterprise councils. Wednesday's high profile launch comes amid renewed backbench sniping at the

Blair style of leadership and gossip over tensions in his team as the election campaign

feud were quick yesterday to play down talk of a crisis-led

"There are too many back-bench MPs who feel they are onlookers required to defend policies they have not been briefed on," one Blair loyalist conceded yesterday, amid reports that the leader's meet-

home secretary, Jack Straw, will all be at Wednesday's launch in what will be intended to show both unity and a will to take tough,



Martyn Halsall

Sue Quim

double

THE baby slept soundly depite the cacophony of whistles around him and the felt Red Devil horns lashed firmly above his ears. His granny trudged gamely behind his pram, dressed in red and white from head to foot.

An infertile woman carry-ing HIV, the Aids virus, is receiving fertility treatment at a leading London clinic in

what is believed to be the first

Fertility specialist Professor Robert Winston, head of Hammersmith hospital's IVF

unit, made the decision to

treat the woman after she

was refused at another

hospital.
The woman, who is in her

30s and has had the virus for

10 years, is in good health. She underwent her first cycle

of IVF treatment last year but failed to conceive. She will

receive further treatment if

her health does not

The case, which is certain

to ignite fresh debate about

the ethical issues surround

ing reproductive technology, will be featured this week on

the BBC television series

Making Bables. The unnamed woman, a for-

mer heroin addict, is believed to have caught the virus from a former boyfriend. When she approached Prof Winston for

deteriorate.

case of its kind in Britain.

Fertility treatment for HIV



others yesterday to wel-It was his first taste of come home the United team soccer life as the family of after their second League Manchester took to the and Cup double in three streets with thousands of years.

treatment, she had been off

but was unable to conceive naturally because of damaged

In the book which accompa-

Fallopian tubes.



(£5) and the whistles turn-ing the crowds into a discordant dawn chorus.

everything from Eric the King flags (£5) to posters

Street artists trans-formed children's faces into red and white splitscreen accolades of team heroes, particularly King Darling Clementine. Cantona, at £1.50 a mask.
Family lobbying was unremitting.

Then roads were stilled, the waves of cheering rose to a crescendo and the flag

"It's a good family day | "I got you a flag with waving reat, even just to see them | 'Champions' on last time," | Grandpare a mother scolded an insistent supplicant. "But the next day you threw it under the stairs," the offspring insisted.

Crowds gathered up to three hours before the quick-step parade. Cars sporting large flags, like Parisian political supporters on election nights, hooted their way past local soccer shrines like Lou Ma-cari Fish and Chips.

A massed choir, 10 deep, gathered outside Trafford town hall for victory an-thems. "Are you watching, are you watching, are you watching, Newcastle?" they carolled to the tune of My

Hospital wards like a war zone as deadly drug mix hits US streets woman sparks controversy

lan Katz in New York

drugs for eight years, had been in a "totally supportive ALETHAL designer drug Acocktail known as Homi-cide or Super Buick has been wreaking havoc in Baltimore and Philadelphia, killing at relationship" for five years, nies the TV series, Prof Winleast three people and spreadston says he was initially reluctant to offer treatment. ing mayhem through hospital emergency wards.
The mayor of Baltimore,
Kurt Schmoke, declared a

There was the likelihood that the woman would eventually develop full-blown Aids and health emergency at the the possibility that the child would be motherless within a year or two of the birth. weekend as doctors struggled to restrain and treat dozens of violent drug users suffering from hallucinations, memory There was also a 10 to 15 per cent chance of the baby being infected, although delivery by Caesarean section and admin-istration of antiviral drugs to

the mother during pregnancy would probably reduce the risk to about 7 per cent. "In favour of treatment was the knowledge that many people have children knowing there may be reasons why they might die in the near future," Prof Winston says. "There was also the knowledge that there is increasing

loss and paranoia. Baltimore authorities say the victims swallowed capsules containing a cocktail of prescription drugs including scopolamine, a sea sickness remedy, and dextromethorphan, a substance commonly used in cough medicine.

In Philadelphia, more than

100 drug users swamped emergency rooms after taking a similar combination of drugs mixed with heroin.

Many of the victims reportedly lashed out at doctors evidence that some people who are HIV positive remain and nurses who were attemptfor very extended periods ing to treat them, later becom-frum to page 3, column 1 ing wildly delirious after cocktails. so for very extended periods

receiving a heroin antidote. One security guard in a Philadelphia hospital compared the emergency room scenes to a Vietnam M*A*S*H unit, with "bodies coming in by the minute, cars zooming up, dropping junkies and tak-

More than 50 people were treated in Baltimore, and three of them died of heart attacks. Police and doctors said that capsules found on two of the victims contained scopolamine — which quickens the heart-rate — at 1,000 times its prescription dose.

Police said the mix had

ing off".

been selling on the streets of Baltimore for \$6-\$10 a dose. "The bottom line is these cynical drug dealers have basically come up with a new product," Mr Schmoke said "They're trying to determin ine whether people are going to die from this or get high on

it. They don't care. Also known as Super Buick, the blend which sent more than 100 people to hospi-tal in Philadelphia last week contained cocaine and heroin as well as the prescription drugs found in the Baltimore

ent for fans waiting for the Manchester United team, with the FA Cup, during their triumphant progress through the city yesterday

Grandparents joined chil- from the city centre. Their dren on walls and fathers shed a generation as the or-

It lasted a moment, followed by instant inquests of who had been glimpsed. Alex Ferguson was waving from the front over a flash of silver, but the players lining each side in white looked drained, as if they

ange open-top bus passed

had just walked from

cheering and singing could be heard half a mile away. "We're here to say 'thank

you'; we are privileged," said Chris Miller, a group through aisles of ecstatic administrator from Ascot. who moved south from Manchester eight years ago. A long trip for a glimpse of silver glory? "To people who don't understand, it probably is," said the philosophical fan of 44

Worshippers gathered be- | Mark Lawson, page United hind to escort the bus on its | again, page 14;

Beasons.



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Beating the Devil with tea and sympathy

Methodists celebrate with sausage rolls and butterfly buns after 60 years of fighting the good fight on one of Leeds's biggest, most problem-beset council estates



Crumbs of comfort . . . 60th anniversary celebrations at Gipton PHOTOGRAPH: JOAN RUSSELL

Martin Wainwright

has a famous place in the moulding of tribute to the power of egg sandwiches and vivid hymns — shipwrecks and lost sheep a speciality — to add to the world's sum of good.

Undeterred by the apathy or sneers of others, John Wesley's "people called Methodists" have given the Devil a fearful drubbing with the teaclude both the Labour Party (with a little help from Marx) and the admirable sides of Lady Thatcher's character-conviction, persistence and warmth to her personal staff.

For the 60th year running, the chapel anniversary urn end at Gipton Methodist church, a sort of Fort Apache heart of one of Leeds' biggest and most problem-beset council estates.

Headlines a couple of months ago suggested that British Methodism might be running out of Methodists, but the buzz in the small, oftenvandalised building showed slender evidence of that.

"You always wonder whether people will support you, and they always do," said Mary Hopkinson, senior steward, treasurer and supreme commander of the anniver-

A good omen fortified her on Friday when the builder who does the chapel's endless repairs, but isn't a churchgoer himself, called with an enormous bunch of flowers to place by the altar.

"Of course, he does a lot of work for us and we pay him," says Mrs Hopkinson. "But you couldn't have wanted a better start to the weekend." Her daughter Jean, a police officer and Gipton Methodist member for 40 years, nipped into the kitchen to collect sausage rolls. "It's magic in there," she said, "the warmth of the welcome and the way

everyone's mixing in." A welcome for anyone, in a world with a lot of exclusions. was the aim of Gipton Method ists in 1936, when the chapel

was the first completed public building on the estate. Slum-cleared families, rocked by the vastness of the "garden village" open spaces (one roundabout is big enough to house a school *and* its playing fields), were eager for somewhere

cosy and warm. Most were Catholics, but Wesley's ping-pong and team games were just the same as the Pope's, who hadn't yet got round to building his Gipton church. The estate's builder had gone bankrupt and the roads' tarmac was still to be laid. "A lot of the kids brought in their own weight in mud," recalls a veteran between sips of tea. 'I gritted my teeth and

remembered George Her-bert's hymn, Who sweeps a room as for Thy sake ..." Things were less muddy (but equally bleak for commu nal facilities) when six-yearold Arme Nixon moved on to Gipton estate after the war. Hunting the knife to cut the anniversary cake, she looks back at the turning point in a number of initially unfavoured lives.

"My friend June across the road said: Why don't you come to our Sunday school, it's great. So I trundled along and it was. "she says. Married and moved away. Anne and 10 other friends from the Girls' Brigade (Leeds 3rd Company)

still meet for a meal out every couple of months. "The GB changed our lives, We were from very poor families, and in this building we met people who gave and gave and gave.

One of them was Clifford Howden, a local JP "who radi-ated kindness" according to Mary Hopkinson. Unknown to anyone else, he paid for Anne and others to go on GB camp in likley, a hop from Leeds but as exotic as the South Sea islands for the children.

Another was Rev-John Jackson, who doubled as chaplain to Leeds United. Arme says: "I still see his widow Li-lian regularly at Elland Road. She has a seat for life just near ours in the West Stand."

United's football-in-thecommunity officer, former player Ces Podd, is coincidentally an active churchman; and like him, Gipton's Meth-odists are part of the tradition of Christians getting stuck into the secular world.

Steward Dorothy Keighley, demolishing a butterfly bun, is one of the Women's Bright Hour members who help at the nearby Meeting Point cafe. The chapel has given room to health visitors and backed the estate's many self-help schemes, notably the Gipsil project for getting bomeless

Illusions that you have to be Christian to do good are tempered, however, by memories of the man responsible for Gipton, the Rev Charles Jenkinson, chairman of housing in

1930s Leeds. His religious zeal for clear-ing slums (he was pictured in the Evening Post as an angel driving out rats and cockroaches) was less well-suited to planning the city's New

Jerusalems. "He was a hero," says one of the old Lady Laners, who helped move the chapel to Gipton from its former site among

the slums in Lady Lane. "But one with flaws." The Methodists have aban-doned the competitive edge which was honed by their leg-

endary schisms.
"That probably is the case,"
says Rev Keith Hunt, who looks after Gipton and its sis-ter church at Halton: "But it is much better to work together, as we do now. Not only within Methodism but with other churches."

One table at the tea was filled with chatty local Anglicans. Rev Hunt was trained by the Pentecostalists, has a joint Methodist/United Reform congregation at Halton and, to top up his part-timer's stipend, runs a wholly ecumenical gardening business, sowing seeds as well as the Word.

Miami air crash raises safety worries



ian Katz in New York

OUBTS were raised over the safety of America's booming low-fare airlines yes terday after a DC-9 plunged 'like a bullet' into the swampy Florida Everglades at the weekend, killing all 109 passengers and crew.

The aircraft, which was flying from Miami to Atlanta, was operated by ValuJet, a budget carrier which had been under intense scrutiny by the Federal Aviation Administration following a

string of incidents.
Yesterday it emerged that
the 27-year-old jet had been
forced to return to airports seven times in the last two years because of minor safety problems, though it passed an FAA inspection last week. The FAA had recently ex-

pressed concern over "a significant decrease" in the ex-perience level of ValuJet's low-paid pilots, after an investigation into several runway accidents, including a fire last June that injured seven people and destroyed a DC-9. Yesterday, ValuJet's founder and president, Lewis Jordan, conceded that he paid his pilots half the basic salary of other airlines, but insisted: "I don't think you increase the level of safety by the

amount you pay." Flight 593 disappeared from radar screens 11 minutes after the pilot had reported smoke in the cockpit and requested permission to return to Miami.



Rescue teams assemble on the L67 Canal Levee, west of Miami international airport, near the alligator-infested crash site PHOTOGRAPH: GARY ROTHSTEIN

Video showing disasters in slow-motion is voyeuristic.

says aviation pressure group

The twin-engine jet was approximately 20 miles west of Miami international airport ground at an angle of about 75 degrees, according to Daniel Muelhaupt, a private pilot who saw the crash from his small plane nearby. "The wreckage was like if you take your garbage and just throw it on the ground."

Helen Nowicka

AVIDEO showing fatal dair crashes repeatedly in slow motion goes on sale today, amid criticism from an organisation campaigning for aviation safety. Air Disasters, a 48-min-

ute tape, includes footage of the 1989 Kegworth crash in which 47 people died,

reached the remote crash

scene, the alligator-infested

wamp appeared to have

swallowed up most of the air-craft. Searchers found only fragments of debris and a few personal effects. Rescue officials formally abandoned the search for survivors yesterday. InvestigaFrench air show in 1988 when an Airbus A-320 ploughed into a forest, kill-

ing three passengers.
Other sequences in the film, which costs £12.99, show military aircraft air displays. Some crashes are shown several times in

slow motion. The film makers By the time rescuers portation Safety Board will reached the remote crash attempt to recover the bodies and establish the crash cause. It comes as a bitter blow to America's cut-price airlines, which have enjoyed rampant growth by paring their costs to the bone and operating older second-hand jets.

Atlanta-based ValuJet has burgeoned since opening in

and an accident during a | also responsible for the | "If a video is made to be Police Stop! videos, featur-ing car chases and dangerpurely emotive, then one has to challenge the reason ous motorway driving, which attracted the cenbehind it," he said. sure of police and MPs.

The air film was con-demned as "voyeuristic" by William Beckett, of the pressure group Scisafe, formed after the 1985 Manchester air crash which claimed his daughter's life.

and now serves 31 cities with | sion plans and to attempt to a fleet of 51 aircraft. In January, three ValuJet aircraft were involved in airport incidents, including two

in which the jets skidded off icy runways. The FBI mounted a massive safety inquiry but reportedly discov- snakes and can only be ered no significant problems. reached by boat or helicopter Nevertheless, the airline A layer of highly flammable tors from the National Trans- October 1993 with two jets, agreed to scale back its expan- fuel also covers the site.

the film's makers, Fifth Es-tate Video. said the film showed how safety stan-dards varied around the world, and how holidaymakers could be travelling on aircraft leased from an

However, James Hunt, of

recruit more experienced pi lots and technical staff. Investigators attempting to recover the remains of the aircraft and its occupants face a daunting task. The swamps

structed like a piece of jazz but

admits it is a hard thing to do.

Dole staff fear for jobs and safety

HE Government's Job triggered a collapse of morale among JobCentre and dole office staff, most of whom fear it will put their own jobs and physical safety at work under threat, according to a leaked official survey.

The poll of 44,000 Employment Service staff, which has

been passed to the Guardian, found that two-thirds expec the full introduction of the allowance in October to endanger their personal safety and 74 per cent believe it will put their job at risk.

The allowance, which fit and income support, has already cut contributory dole from 12 to six months and is likely to cut payments for up to 250,000. It will also concentrate all benefit payments in what are often open-plan Job-Centres, leading to fears of in-creased attacks on staff.

But the crisis in internal confidence goes deeper. The majority of employees believe the service is increasingly inefficient, under-staffed, badly-paid and poorly-motivated be-

Michael Meacher, shadow employment secretary, who will disclose the results of the survey at the Public Services, Tax and Commerce Union's Bournemouth conference today, said last night: "How can Employment Service staff hope to provide support to people looking for work, when they clearly feel so inse-cure about their own

Mr Meacher and Chris Smith, Labour's social security spokesman, are under-

scrap the allowance.

Barry Reamsbottom, gen eral secretary of the Civil and Public Services Association, which represents 20,000 Em. ployment Service staff, said "hard-nosed management" which appeared oblivious to the likelihood of a resumption of last year's industrial action over pay.

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ment Department spokeswoman said last night: "We recognise that there have been many changes in the Employment Service recently and it is understandable that staff may feel insecure." Risk assessment exercises were paid and poorly-motivated be being carried out at all Job-cause of growing stress on the Centres to establish if new security measures were needed.



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Memories of sin and swing from the ole home town

Review

Kansas City

Cannes film festival

Derek Malcolm

OBERT Altman won the coveted Palme D'Or at Cannes in 1970 with M*A*S*H. It was his most successful film at the box office. Now over 70, he is unlikely to make it a double with Kansas City. Nor is this portrait of his home town in the 1930s — the headquarters of jazz, crime and political corruption likely to figure as one of the year's most popular movies.

It occupies territory some-where between the extraordinary Short Cuts and the much less satisfactory Pret à Porter. though it does have one amazing feature — a jazz corner that seems actually to be right at the centre of its story and not merely an off-screen commentary upon it. Jennifer Jason Leigh plays

an abducted white gangster's girl who thinks she can get him back from Harry Belafonte's black Mr Big by kidnapping the wife (Miranda Richardson) of one of Roose velt's political aides (Michael

She is a movie fan who wants to be like Jean Harlow. The politician's wife is a spaced-out slave to laudanum.

They make an odd couple who in the end combine against a world that's just too much for them.
There's a problem here, and

it lies in the performance of Leigh as Blondie. She has neither the lightness of touch nor the charm of Harlow, and the performance seems too much like a series of ever more grat-ing tricks. Against this tirade of mannerisms, Richardson's subtlety tends to be

snuffed out. The surprise is Belafonte who plays Seldom Seen, an ap proximation of a real-life black mobster who survived everything to die at 98. Some of his monologues are superb and the fact that he often made

them up himself makes the

portrait the more remarkable. Otherwise, the film has a brilliant sense of period, a serviceable screenplay, but a structure that, in the end, gets nowhere very much that we haven't been before. It is almost Altman's Casino.

Seen's Hey-Hey club — which include the enactment of a legendary all-night session between Coleman Hawkins and Lester Young, watched by the 14-year-old Charlie Parker will live in the memory, perhaps because they live in Altman's memory too. As a boy he haunted the clubs, watching from the balcony where the youngsters like Parker were relegated.

The rest is another ironic

The sequences at Seldom

Altman discourse on the basic | says Kansas City was concorruption of America — a theme which goes back to McCabe And Mrs Miller and is touched upon, in this same period, by Thieves Like Us. He

If he has not really succeeded, at least he hasn't betrayed the

Pessimistic class of '96 sees little hope of full-time work

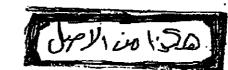
John Carvel

ONLY a quarter of the 150,000 students due to graduate this summer expect to start a full-time job immediately, according to research published today.

About 22 per cent planned to start postgraduate courses and 15 per cent hoped to travel, the survey of the aspi rations of the class of '96 found. It was conducted in March among more than 10,000 students by High Flyers, a market research firm.

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On the Easterhouse estate, residents salvage from derelict houses in an effort to improve their own council homes. Right, Hubert Kounde in La Haine. Cannes-do film about a can't do neighbourhood

Modern tale of two cities spans hatred and hope

Erlend Clouston on expectations that have been aroused by President Chirac's impending visit to a deprived part of Glasgow



Iain Robertson in the Scottish film Small Faces

AS the Auld Alliance ever been stronger? This week a Scot represents France in the Eurovision Song Contest two days before that country's president makes a fact-find-ing visit to one of Scotland's most notorious housing

"It's a major boost for us.." ring not to Karen Matheson of the group Capercaillie, but to | toi and Bartol.

Jacques Chirac's historic pil-grimage to Easterhouse on the outskirts of Glasgow.

Most communities would have reservations about being selected as a showcase for urban deprivation, but for Easterhouse the president's mission will be an opportunity to show that plus ca change plus ce n'est pas la

The estate, thrown up in the 1960s on the east side of sgow, with few facilities and less taste, has for years been a byword for outer city squalor, and violence apparently fermented in with the public sector bricks

Thirty years ago, the singer Frankie Vaughan organised a highly publicised knives am-nesty for the local razor-This month, Strathclyde

police set up a special unit, featuring four mounted policemen, to tackle the nightly battles between gangs Greater Easterhouse Initiasaid Martin Timoney, refer- with mysterious, Gallic- tive. sounding names like Torran-

Small Faces, the film about revised their attitude to self-Glasgow street fighters, was to have been called Easter- "When I was a lad, peer house until outraged commu-

nity leaders intervened. In his base at Bishoploch adult education centre, of which he is the coordinator, Mr Timoney is bargaining that President Chirac's tour will have roughly the same effect on Easterhouse's disastrous image as Joan of Arc had on the French army. "Maybe this visit will get rid

sen to come here to learn about economic regeneration, so that will prove to the world that it's now happening

Mr Timoney, aged 26, insists there has been an enor-mous change in the culture of a 40,000-strong community struggling with unemploy-ment levels that exceed 30 per cent in some parts.

At one level, organisations with complex names like the Greater Easterhouse Community Empowerment and Strategy Project now see that there is significant residents' input into the various regeneration

At another, Rasterhouse people have drastically they're all right."

pressure made you the laugh-ing stock if you wanted to be educated. Now people are not embarrassed to grasp their opportunities," Mr Timoney said.

Mr Chirac's Thursday promenade will begin at Bi-shoplock Hall, where 2,000 people a week now attend education and training classes, and finish at St Leonof all that Frankie Vaughan and's Secondary School, crap," he said.
"President Chirac has chopaying for tutors to conduct after hours lessons.

At the Easterhouse police station yesterday, a constable point. who declined to be named confirmed that President Chirac's bodyguards will have less to fear than they might have had in Frankie Vaughan's day.

"Serious assaults are heavily down," he said, though he refused to say to

Next door at the Easterhouse swimming pool, also on the presidential itinerary, the manager lavished praise on the behaviour of his 2,000 weekly customers.

"They get a lot more trou-ble at the sports centre round the corner, but they've got a ful that they will be the most security man in now, so ever have."

The constable acknowledged that the Torrantol and Ghetto found the Bartoi were less vicious that their predecessors, but remained puzzled at their motivation.
"Just about everybody I've

arrested for gang fighting is not on drugs or alcohol" he said, suggesting that the under-16s needed stiffer pun-ishment before Easterhouse was really brought into line. "If I'd been arrested, you'd have had to pick me off the ground, I'd have been so terrified. Now all they ask is what can we do to them?"

For Mr Timoney and others, this is missing the Easterhouse's packs of the

junior hoodlums are a conse-quence of the area's decline. not the cause of it. He will outline to the French presi-dent's entourage his vision of a prosperous 21st century Easterhouse based on the adjacent motorway network. umpteen green field sites, and the untapped energies of its residents.

"There's a wealth of talent here," he said, indicating an unvandalised and artisticly impressive 40 yard mosaic "And give somebody from here a job, they'll be so gratededicated workers you could fame but there's no change, says Paul Webster



Vincent, played by Vincent

YEAR after a film called La Haine (Hate) swept through the outer Parisian suburb of Chanteloup like a cleansing fire, boredom and depression has again settled over the high-rise estate called La Noe, the film's central location.

| football club, all blacks and | joble: Arabs, made its way home | Abdel Elhani, a young one.

the internationally success-

"I wasn't allowed to take part in the film," said Ra-fir, aged 12. "But if you want to see what it's really like to see the police chas-ing us through the cellars,

men, achieved a much higher international profile than can be expected of the Prince of Wales's and Jacques Chirac's planned Glasgow inner-city walkabout this week. But it did not change much.

At the Penalty Bar, the being drawn into discus- it for you," he said. sion over whether the town of 10,000 people had bene-fited from the film. "We get lots of tourists

and sociologists dropping in as if this was a zoo," the

past the abandoned super-electrician from the Noe es-market which figured in tate, built for immigrant tate, built for immigrant car workers in the booming ful film, winning the Palme d'Or at Cannes before being chosen as the French feature of the year. down mainly-white inner city in Scotland. Nearly all the problems in France were in neglected immi-grant ghettos with high un-

Chanteloup's two months of glory, during location work around the fictional revenge for the murder of a young black by a police men, achieved. got nothing to do and you don't really live.

"Some of these high rise blocks contain family upon family of unemployed who've learnt that you've got to get together on a community basis and help yourselves, because it's no good waiting for a film regulars were resentful of crew or a visiting VIP to get

A group of youths with a ghetto-blaster offered to play the rap cassette that added to La Haine's extraordinary success. But when they spoke of events barman said. "It hasn't in the film, they made no brought us work and in-vestment, just curiosity and fact. "It's every day life Yesterday, the junior about how the poor and the here, except it happened in

Five stranded on Everest could bring death toll to 9

and Ed Douglas

WO OF the world's leading climbers and three others who paid large sums to be led up Mount Everest remained stranded on the mountain yesterday as had weather hampered attempts to rescue members of

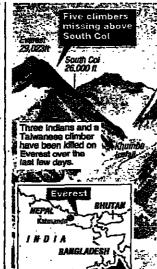
the expedition.

As hopes faded for their survival, it could bring the total number of climbers killed on Everest over the raised on Everest over the past few days to nine. On Thursday a Taiwanese climber was killed, and reports emerged that three Indian climbers who had reached the summit were killed coming down the north

side of the mountain.

New Zealander Rob Hall.

who has climbed Mount Everest five times, was reported to be stranded close to the sum-



have been named as Yasuko mit with severe frost bite in his hands and feet.

Also missing is the American climber Scott Fischer, an climber Scott Fischer, and climber Scott Fischer,

can climber Scott Fischer, who was leading a separate team. He is reported to be in a coma, hanging from ropes at the top camp at South Col, which is 26,000 feet up.

Mr Hall was heading a group of four climbers who had paid up to £45,000 each to be led up the mountain. They

Speaking from the Everest base camp, Liz Cohen, a mem-ber of an American expedition, said: "Right now we just don't know who's still up

conscious and barely breath-ing. Rescuers wrapped him up and left him with oxygen, concentrating their limited strengths on rescuing Makalu Goa, leader of the stranded The magazine Says the EU's Goa, leader of the stranded Taiwanese expedition.

Latest reports suggest that Mr Hall is still alive and was in radio contact with mem-bers of his climbing team over the weekend. They tried to keep him awake until the weather improved, but it is much larger sum in factories considered doubtful that he in the eastern state of Saxony. will be able to survive the cold and altitude.

up its debt-ridden operation

Fertility help for HIV woman sparks row

"I was astonished and horrified at their reaction," he says. However, convinced that the couple deserved and required treatment, he pro-ceeded. "I learnt that there were certain medical deci-

through and wanted the chance of a baby."

Prof Winston reveals that although he had approval from the chairman of the hospital's ethics committee, he did not have the full support of other members of the IVF team.

She said that medical advances now meant there was a good chance a baby born in such circumstances would not eatch the virus and that the mother could live for many years. She supported women trying to get pregnant once they had made informed decisions.

However, Richard Nicholson, editor of the Bulletin of Medical Ethics, said the decision was not in the best interests of the child. It was an unwise and I would almost say self-indulgent use of mod-

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of time, without necessarily developing full-blown Aids.
"But above all ... [they] were highly responsible and caring people, who loved each other; who had thought it all through and wanted the chance of a baby."

Stephanie Elsy, director of Positively Women, a support and information service for HIV positive women, yester day welcomed Prof Winston's day down the road in the health service in indulging any desire that ratients express, rather than trying to make our decisions on the basis of clinical need.

She said that medical advances now meant there was a good chance a baby born in

would be fairly easy to argue that a case like this one has gone too far towards indul-gence of the patient." A spokeswoman for the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority declined

to comment on the case and

said such decisions were up to individual clinicians. The British Medical Association yesterday said it could that it viewed the case with yesterday.

representation de la company

Volkswagen faces £125m repayment of subsidies

Denis Staunton in Berlin

UROPEAN Union officials are reported to be investithere. They are conducting gating whether Volkswagen search and rescue efforts on has broken the conditions of the South Col." According to reports, Mr Fi-Brussels allowed the Bonn scher was found by rescue government to give more teams over the weekend, un-than £125 million in subsidies to the car company.

According to today's issue

competition commissioner, Karel van Miert, is urging his commission colleagues to demand that the company forfeit 300 million marks given on the understanding that Volkswagen would invest a

Mr Van Miert has been press-The plight of the missing climbers has highlighted the growth in commercial climbing expeditions. Many in the climbing world are concerned that it was disclosed this year that a German shipbuilder, Bremer Vulkan, that it is a second to builder, Bremer Vulkan, that it is a second to be a sec failed to honour an agreement that a similar EU-approved German subsidy of several million pounds would be used to help its Strausund ship-yard in the east of the country. Instead, Bremer Vulkan used the money to shore

The magazine alleges that

in western Germany.
In the case of Volkswagen, the EU gave clearance for up to \$400 million in Bonn subsi-dies to the company after Ger-man reunification. The condition was that the car maker should invest almost £2 billion in its eastern fac-

E2 billion in its eastern fac-tories by the end of 1994.

By the end of 1995, Der Spie-gel says, only £1 billion had found its way to Saxony, ef-fectively breaking the terms on which the EU allowed the government subsidy.

Der Spiegel says Volks.

Der Spiegel says Volks-wagen's chief executive, Ferwagen's rich accuracy red dinand Plech, went to Brus-sels a week ago to plead with the commission for patience, promising that the company would complete its investment programme in the east by the year 2000.

There was no one available not support Prof Winston's for comment at the company's treatment of the woman and headquarters in Wolfsburg

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OJ Simpson in Britain faces trail by media

Owen Bowcott sees acquitted celebrity put off his stroke

death threats, America's most famous ac quitted suspect flew into Britain at the weekend to be confronted with a fresh media row over his murder trial.

With Granada Television picking up all expenses, OJ Simpson was touted around airport lounges, West End hotels and a Home Counties golf course in advance of his appearance on a live chat show tonight.

At Heathrow on Saturday. the 48-year-old former American football star — who was found not guilty last year of stabbing to death his es-tranged wife Nicole, aged 35, and her friend Ron Goldman, 25 — was mobbed by reporters and cameras crews. One woman grabbed him by the collar and shouted: "Mur-

MID celebrity walk- | derer! Is the murderer in Brit- | why he did not take the witouts and reports of ain, OJ?" Mr Simpson ignored the accusation, but a Granada spokesman claimed that she had been set up to generate controversy.

There were two women who had been planted by a US network TV show," he said. "We are not revealing which one. Nor is it true that we have received death threats against Mr Simpson." The Hollywood actress Bo

Derek cancelled her appearance on Tonight with Richard and Judy to avoid appearing alongside OJ. The singer Neil Diamond is expected to be the other guest. Escorted by a bodyguard and Max Clifford, his public-

ity agent, Mr Simpson played golf yesterday morning at Selsdon Park club in Surrey. Asked why his blood was at the scene of the murder and

ness stand during the trial, he replied through gritted teeth:
"It's a lovely day."
Returning to his game, he said: "I don't have very good

form at the moment, and you guys being here doesn't help." Among Mr Simpson other reported engagements are supper with the film director Michael Winner and an ap-pearance at the Oxford Union tomorrow evening. Claims the Surrey stockbroker belt on Saturday were dismissed as an estate agent's fantasy. Granada said it would be paying Mr Simpson an ap-pearance fee of only £1. The expenses bill amounted to

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around £18,000.



News in brief

Teachers up stakes in league table war

HEAD teachers' leaders were last night stepping up their campaign to stop the Government publishing "unfair" league tables of primary school results in the tests of 11-year olds which begin across England and Wales today. David Hart, general secretary of the National Association of

Head Teachers, said its annual conference later this month would vote on a plan to stop ministers getting hold of data on childrens' test performance and teachers' assessments of their

Teachers fear schools may be given a bad reputation by results which fail to take account of the number of disadvantaged children with special educational needs on their rolls. Gillian Shephard, the Education Secretary, warned that heads and governors had a legal responsibility to provide the results of tests in English, maths and science. "I do not expect them to break the law," she said. - John Carvel

Uncle charged with murders

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THE uncle of four children killed in an arson attack at their home has been charged with their murders and will appear in court

Fred Heyworth, aged 58, was charged with murdering his two nieces and two nephews and attempting to murder their parents and their 14-year-old danghter Kelly, who survived the blaze. Terry Good, aged 12, Alison, aged 10, Nicola, aged eight, and six-year-old Patrick died when their home in Southampton, Hams, was set alight in the early hours of last Sunday. Their parents,

Beverley and Melvyn Good, and Kelly managed to escape the inferno by jumping out of a first floor window. Heyworth, of Bitterne, Southampton, the estranged husband of Beverley's sister Janet, was arrested within hours of the blaze at

Witnesses to get protection

Labour proposes crackdown on guns

Alan Travis Home Affairs Editor

ABOUR will today publish proposals for a ban on handguns that could remove 200,000 weapons from

The proposals have been drawn up by the shadow home secretary. Jack Straw, and shadow Scottish secretary. George Robertson. following the Dunblane school massacre in March.

The move has wrong-footed the Home Secretary, Michael Howard, and John Major, who have refused to disclose their proposals for legislation until the Cullen inquiry into the death of 16 children and their teacher in Scotland reports in the autumn.

Labour's plan will: Ban ownership of all automatic and semi-automatic handguns.

☐ Ban all single shot handguns and rifles which are more than .22 calibre.

firearm certificates from 14 to

□ Give the police discretion to refuse firearm applications without having to state a reason, and bar any appeal to the courts against refusal.

Mr Straw said yesterday: "We are submitting these proposals formally to the Cullen inquiry. We can not think of any good reason why people should own these handguns." He was struck by the evidence from Switzerland and

□ Raise the minimum age for | Japan, both low crime countries. In Japan it was vir-tually impossible for civilians to own a gun while the Swiss gun laws in the world. Ja-pan's gun-related murder rate is one eighth that of Britain's, while Switzerland's is six times the British rate.

The package would see the most wide-ranging gun con-trols introduced into Britain. Chief constables last week told MPs there were 160,000 legally held handguns in Britain.

legislation within a fortnight of the Tasmanian massacro Mr Major promised at the weekend to "move speedily to change the gun laws in the autumn if it is recommended by the Dumblane inquiry. He and Mr Howard have failed to put their proposals

outcome of the inquiry.

Age 54 The guerillas came last night

saying that here in Quinua there are

army collaborators. They seized the

two boys from Sabina's house. The eldest

boy looked up at me as they dragged

We have found the boys. The guerillas

had cut out their tongues and gouged

out their eyes. We took the bodies

back to our village and bathed them

and dressed them and buried them

Age 57 The colic has taken my husband.

here gets worse every day. I know I must

Age 58 Today I flee for Lima. I don't

Age 66 Woke up thinking about my

village. It makes me very sad. So far

away is my little house, my land, and

Today My first grandchild is born.

We will give him all the love he needs. I want him to have the education

I missed, and the peace we craved, and the chance to make a good life. And I want him to be called Teófilio.

I will never be able to see it again.

know what will happen to me.

empty and alone. The violence

and wept for them.

him past, his eyes great pools of fear.

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Howard renews pledge to close Jackal' false identity loophole

Alan Travis

THE Government is to introduce legislation this autumn to close an immigration loophole which ministers identified six years ago.

A leaked letter seen by the Guardian from Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, to the Treasury shows that the "Day of the Jackal" loophole, which enables fraudsters and other criminals to create false identities through easy access to official copies of birth certificates, is being increas-

ingly exploited.

It was dubbed the Day of the Jackal loophole after a scene in the film in which a hired assassin gets hold of a dead person's birth certificate

to assume a fresh identity. Mr Howard says that in 1994 the UK Passport Agency recorded 583 cases in which new birth certificates which did not belong to the applicants were presented with passport applications. Last year the number of cases discovered reached 739.

The letter says: "The Immigration Service estimate that in 1995 there were 350 to 400 cases of persons seeking leave to enter or remain here in-volving the issue of birth certificates which did not belong to them." It presses Treasury ministers to back "an uncontroversial bill in the programme for the next session". Jeff Rooker, Labour MP for Perry Barr, said the Govern-ment first pledged to close the

loophole in a 1990 white Mr Rooker himself obtained an official copy of a birth certificate in the name of Peter Lilley — to show how

easy it was.

ting up a secret unit to protect witnesses to shootings from reprisals, in an attempt to break the reign of terror by the city's criminal gangs. Shootings among rival fac-tions have risen sharply since the murder of David Ungi (right) in Toxteth a year ago. But police have struggled to find witnesses prepared to tes tify. On May 1 — the anniver-sary of the Ungi murder — 49year-old Owen Graham was shot dead in a Toxteth betting shop. Despite pleas from de-

scheme are being kept secre Charred body found

come forward.

Details of the witness

POLICE in Liverpool are set-

DETECTIVES were yesterday trying to identify the charred remains of a dismembered body found in a forestry clearing. Initial examination suggested the victim had been murdered within the last few days. Two Forestry Commission workers raised the alarm after spotting bones among a pile of burned logs in Wentwood Forest, near Newport, south Wales, on Saturday

Detective Superintendent Ian Johnston, leading the inquiry, said neither the victim's age nor sex had been discovere

Watchdog for the palace

AN EXECUTIVE director of the Press Complaints Commission is being considered for a leading role in the press office of the Prince of Wales, Buckingham Palace said yesterday. Mark Bolland, aged 30, has high-level contacts in the newspaper world and is thought to have impressed senior palace staff with his understanding of ihe media's roval coverage

The move to secure Mr Bolland's services follows a series of changes in the Prince of Wales's press office, including the departure of Allan Percival, his press secretary. Buckingham Palace denies the changes are an attempt to rebuild the prince's media image. --- Vivek Chaudhary

Ostrich meat takes off

AFLIGHTLESS bird will get airborne this summer when ostrich meat joins the menu on airline flights, it was revealed yesterday.

Ostrich steaks will be introduced to first class passengers on British Airways North American flights from July and could be extended to other routes if popular.

Age 7 The crops have all dried up. DIARY OF A Why won't it rain? Mama and papa are leaving the farm to work in the salt mines.

Age 14 I asked mama again why I cannot go to school and her answer is the same. "School is for boys". So my brothers go while I have to take the cattle to pasture. But if I don't learn anything. this is what I will always do, tend cows. I want to do more in my life than this.

I am hungry.

Age 22 A terrible day. I am to marry Claudio Enriquez, a trader from our village. I flew into a rage at my father for permitting him my hand in marriage but he just looked down at the dust and said that for a poor girl with no education this is a good match and I must try to be a good wife.

Age 24 My beautiful boy is born. Teófilio. I am in pain but happy.

Age 30 I thought Teofilio was getting better because he had a quiet night. But his stillness struck a terror in me the moment I awoke and I rushed to where he lay on the floor. His lips had

SURVIVOR turned black. I lifted his limp, clammy body to me and caressed him, his hand, his forehead, his stomach. But little by little he lost his breathing.

Age 42 Such a beautiful dawn this morning. We worked the plot, me on the potatoes, silently, the children with their laughter on the avaso. It is hard work from dawn to dusk, but for the first time in four years the harvest will be good, so at least

we can eat. We are content enough.

I have seen death in my family so

many times but today I felt my own

soul die with his. I don't want to go on.

This diary is based on interviews with Agustina Guitiérrez Ramos, a displaced villager from Quinua, Peru. Her story of survival against the odds is typical of so many throughout the Third World.

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Greek veto throws doubt on EU talks

FORTHCOMING membership talks between the European Union and Cyprus could be seriously disrupted today if Greece refuses to lift its veto of financial aid to Turkey at a meeting of EU foreign ministers in Brussels.

There is mounting anger at determination in Athens to block the money and it looks set to cast a shadow over the two-day meeting of the General Affairs Council where accession talks with Cyprus and Malta will top the agenda.

The Greek foreign minister, Theodore Pangalos, has warned that Athens would systematically veto all Brussels' joint decisions if it made association talks with Cyprus contingent on Greece unblocking the aid.

Greece unblocking the aid.

Several EU states have warned Greece it must lift the veto to avoid the negotiations being stalled further but Athens has pledged to block the aid as long as Turkey refuses to "renounce the threat of violence" in the Aegean.

The aid includes structural formula and account to the control of t

The aid includes structural funds and money associated with a customs agreement between Turkey and the EU. — Helena

Algeria unveils reforms

PROPOSALS by the Algerian president, Liamine Zeroual, for constitutional reforms to try to end four years of conflict between government and Islamists were published yesterday.

About 50,000 people have died in the power struggle between the two sides. Analysts said Mr Zeroual's proposals — sent on Saturday to more than 100 leading political figures — sought to broaden the power base of the government, while still excluding

radical Islamists from power.

Under the proposals, parties would be banned from campaigning under a Muslim banner. Islam is defined in the document as the heritage of the whole society "which must be excluded from the field of political competition and partisan antagonisms. Other proposals include the creation of a parliament with two legislative chambers (Algeria has had no elected parliament since January 1992), the introduction of the proportional representation system of voting, and the limiting of the president's tenure to one term of five years in office. one term of five years in office.

Mr Zeroual wants to hold a referendum later this year the proposals. — Reuter, Paris.

FDR statue triggers row

AMERICA'S National Organisation on Disability is protesting that a memorial statue of Franklin Roo-sevelt (right), to be dedi-cated in Washington next year, will ignore the fact that he was unable to stand unassisted after being stricken by polio. There will be no

reminder that the president spent much of his time in a wheelchair after falling ill in 1921. On the contrary. he is to be shown standing tall in one of three sculptures planned for the sevenacre site on the banks of the Potomac. — New York Times.



Record haul of pirated CDs

HONG KONG customs officers have seized 60,000 pirated compact discs and CD-Roms worth around £250,000 in the largest such seizure ever, the government reported yesterday.

All the items had been smuggled into Hong Kong from China, it

added. The United States is threatening trade sanctions against China for what it says are wholesale breaches of copyright

Hong Kong authorities said 20,000 of the pirated CDs were found inside a truck at the Hong Kong-China border checkpoint on Saturday, leading to the arrest of three men. In follow-up investigations, customs officers raided a warehouse yesterday and seized 40,000 more video CDs and CD-Roms, the statement said. Those arrested were described as key members of a smuggling syndicate. -- AP, Hong Kong.

Shoe firm to clarify past

THE SWISS shoe company Bally, accused of taking over Jewish companies seized by the Nazis during the second world war, will open its archives to historians to clarify its wartime activities, according to the Swiss newspaper, SountagsZeitung.

"Our archives are fundamentally open for professional historians," said Hans Widmer, the chairman of Oerlikon-Buehrle Holding of which Bally is a division. He said he would also levered.

ing, of which Bally is a division. He said he would also lay open the books of the machine tool maker Buehrle, which was a weapons producer during the Nazi era. — Reiter, Zurich.

Back to work for old in Ukraine

latthew Brzezinski in Klev

HEN Nina Iva noana obeneg her post last month she did a double take. and bills for her one-bedroom flat left her with a disposable monthly income of £1. So at the age of 73 - like

many other pensioners hit by Ukraine's economic hard-ships — she has come out of retirement to make ends meet. The country's oldies are going back to work. "I've had no choice," she

said, as she laid out the neat rows of plastic shopping bags she sells at a bazzar in central Kiev. At a few pence profit on each item, she takes home about 12 after eight hours of standing in the cold. It's not much, but enough for some basic shopping she could not otherwise afford. Mrs Ivanovna, a widow, for

mer book-keeper and wartime survivor of a Nazi labour camp, is no stranger to hardship, but is bitter nonethe-less. "I spent 35 years work-ing for the communist state and now the new system has completely abandoned me,"

The collapse of the Soviet Union has not helped elderly people here. With their life savings wiped out by hyperinflation and state coffers rav-aged by a lasting economic crisis, Ukraine's estimated 15 million pensioners have been eft to fend for themselves.

Many retired people are hustling for a living on the streets of Kiev. At the smart Passage shopping district, one babushka has teamed up with her grandson to wash the BMWs and Land Rovers of the new rich. The proud woman had no time to talk, but her 17-year-old grandson. Ihor, welcomed a break from polishing.



Making ends meet . . . Tatania Demyenchuck, aged 67, travels 100 miles to Kiev to sell meat to supplement her pension

"I was a little surprised when she suggested she join me," said Ihor. "I'm really glad though, because she's attracting a lot of clients." The gimmick appears to be paying gimmick appears to be gimmick appears to be paying or 3kg of tomatoes at the Besthree million karbovanets, or sarabskiy farmers' market.

about £10, for their day's | A recent United Nations | suffered here, it's the pension- | less money coming in for | collective farmers, who have efforts.

A daily take of that magnitude matches the average fold since Ukraine broke from report shows that real income ers," said Boris Najman, a for pensioners has fallen four-tude matches the average fold since Ukraine broke from viser to the government. "It's

more than half of the coundropped by six years.

drive more businesses into sell pirozki, a local dumpling. sell more standard of living has in the end there is less and least affected by the cuts is how."

Mr Najman estimates that tions run deep in this agrar-more than half of the counian society, and farmers have

Holbrooke attacks Europe on Bosnia

ICHARD Holbrooke the American diplomat who brokered the Dayton accord to end the war in the former Yugoslavia, has accused Euro-pean leaders of failing to en-force the civilian requirements of the agree-ment and effectively accept-

ing the partitioning of Bosnia. In an article in Time magazine, the former US assistant

sliding" on the implementation of Dayton pledges on the prosecution of war criminals, the return of refugees and economic reconstruction.

Mr Holbrooke complained that "a messy, ineffective ar-rangement, insisted on by the Europeans" had made it difficult to achieve the treaty's political goals. His attack reflects revived American irritation with what is per-ceived as Europe's lack of commitment to the peace prosecretary of state complains cess, which was supposed to

"disturbing signs of back- | re-establish a single, unified | next year." he said. The Nato | but Nato has said it has no | community's repr In his article, Mr Holbrooke warns that falling to bring together the Serb and Mus-

lim-held areas of the republic under a single government could lead to the "involuntary dismemberment of Bosnia' leaving a tiny Muslim "ministate" around Sarajevo. "It is, therefore, distressing that some important Euro-

peacekeeping force is for- plans to try to arrest them. mally scheduled to remain in Bosnia until December 20. Mr Holbrooke says he believes it unlikely that the war will resume when Nato troops pull out, but fears Bosnia could become another Cyprus or Korea.

In particular, he says, the Bosnian Serb leaders, Radovan Karadzic and Ratko Mlapean officials are privately dic, must be removed and writing off Dayton's political tried for war crimes. Both provisions and preparing the ground for de facto partition crimes tribunal in The Hague

In February, Mr Holbrooke called the leaders of the Dayton signatories to Rome for an emergency summit, claiming afterwards that he placed the peace process back on track. • Elections in Mostar have been thrown into doubt by the failure of Muslim parties to register and foreign ministers of the European Union, which

is in charge of organising the poll, are to discuss the prob-lem in Brussels today.

talks to plead for a postpone-ment of the poll — due by May 31, under the Dayton agreement.
The setback came after po-

litical parties based in the city's Muslim east bank failed to register by a Friday deadline in protest against voting rules they say penalise non-Croats displaced from Mostar

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Kohl appeals to North Italy MPs **strident unions** in election stunt

lan Traynor in Bonn

ONFRONTED mounting opposition to spending cuts that may herald a summer of discondustrial muscle aimed at force tent in Germany, Chancellor ing the government to amelio-Helmut Kohl appealed to rate the most radical unions and employers yesterday to shy away from conflict Germany in decades. day to shy away from conflict and defended his contentious scheme as the only way to safeguard the country's

"Everybody has to show great responsibility for the future," Mr Kohl told the Welt am Sonntag newspaper. "If we don't have the courage for the necessary changes now, we'll waste the future. But after a series of warning strikes last week, union leaders vowed at the weekend to step up resistance to the government's plans to impose spending cuts of 70 billion

marks (£31 billion) next year. A cornerstone of the Kohl scheme is a two-year public sector pay freeze to save 20 billion marks. But union leaders representing 3.2 million public sector workers are to meet tonight to discuss a programme of phased industrial wants to cut sick paraction unless pay talks today tend working hours.

achieve progress on their 4.5 per cent wages claim. Nursing, rubbish collection and public transport are ex-

Mr Kohl's policy is aimed at curbing budget deficits and state debt to meet the terms

for a single European currency by the end of next year, to improve business competi-tiveness, and to liberalise the labour market in the hope of bringing down unemploy-ment of almost 4 million. Christian Zahn, one of the negotiators for the DAG white-collar union, said: "I

expect an offer from the employers on Monday. If there's no offer, there's no agreement. And no agreement means strike." But there seems to be little

common ground with the em-ployers' side, led by the inte-rior minister, Manfred Kanther. In addition to a two-year

pay freeze, the government wants to cut sick pay and ex-

John Hooper in Rome

LECTED representatives of Italy's federalist Northern League gathered in Mantua yesterday to form a 10-strong 'government'. Watched by members of

the League's newly-formed green-shirted security force, they voted to make Giancarlo Pagliarini, a former minister in the government of Silvio Berlusconi, their "prime minister".

Mr Pagliarini, who was

put forward by the leader of the League, Umberto Bossi, was the sole candidate. Yesterday's vote was the latest in a string of pub-licity stunts orchestrated by Mr Bossi to wring con-cessions from Rome on selfgovernment. Last weekend he called for a Czechoslovak-style peaceful partition

So far, though, the domi-nant reaction has been one of outraged hostility. On

force to supress any at-tempt at secession. Mr Bossi has insisted he

wants a "separation of trea-suries" between the rich north and the poorer south and centre. Nevertheless, his language is ambiguous. The only role publicly assigned to the new 'government' is to give instructions to the League's deputies and senators in the Rome parliament. Yes-

terday, however, Mr Bossi hinted at more. "If, as I believe, it is true that this country is heading for collapse with no way out, this government will represent the hope that in the end, there will be a way out." he said.

Yesterday's vote was taken in a "parliament" set up by Mr Bossi last year. It consists of the League's MPs, its regional councillors and mayors.

The Northern League did much better than expected at last month's general election, but lost its grip on speaker of the lower house of parliament, Luciano Violante told MPs the state would be entitled to use



There are clear signs that the relationship of trust between politicians and civil servants is breaking down. Responsibility is shared. The spate of leaks from Whitehall, cleverly timed to subvert and embarrass the Government, is inexcusable — but hardly surprising.

of Italy.

Derek Lewis

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Denying a view to kill

How to put the gun question

WHO NEEDS GUNS? The question about guns and violence posed by Dunblane and Tasmania is not going to go away. Tony Blair may be wholly sincere in proposing, in advance of the Cullen inquiry, a complete ban on handguns. Virginia Bottomley may have backed Dustin Hoffman's attack on film violence from total conviction. But politicians also know an issue worth running with when they see one. Indeed why should public opinion not deserve their support? It may seem perverse that not one but several tragedies (for Oklahoma also forms part of the wider picture) are needed to put the problem high up on the agenda. But a critical mass of anxiety has now been generated which is less likely to be allayed by half-measures.

The decision of senior federal and state officials in Australia to press for tough firearm controls provides an important lesson for Britain. The point of comparison is not the actual detail of the new regulations proposed by Prime Minister John Howard. Australian gun laws have been laxer in many respects than ours Even though handguns are already illegal, controls have varied from state to state and in Tasmania even machine guns could be bought across the counter. But the decision shows how politicians can seize the moment of public concern to take an initiative from which they would have backed away before. In spite of yesterday's blast of outrage from the Sporting Shooters of Australia, opinion polls show that an overwhelming majority supports a wide-ranging ban. In declaring that Australia will "not go down the American path", and that it is a country with "a culture of peaceful cooperation", Mr Howard has touched a sympathetic nerve.

When swift action is contemplated under popular pressure, its critics are quick to label it as unscientifically based and a knee-jerk reaction. Strictly speaking they may be right — but to what end? Dustin Hoffman quoted no statistics in Cannes on Friday when he denounced gratuitous violence in films and asked "are we really saying that screen violence doesn't have anything to do with these massacres?" With so many variables involved, it would be hard to imagine a statistical test capable of proving the connection (although the "Rambo factor" was evident in, for example, the Hungerford massacre.) Yet Mr Hoffman was denouncing "gratuitous" violence: the adjective is allimportant. War and bloodshed have never been absent from literature or the theatre, but whether they are graphically described or not is less the issue than the intention and the effect. Films which are made in order to exploit violence can be identified by the lay viewer without a degree in media studies. Mr Hoffman's professional judgement that "commerce is mixed with violence now in a way I am unaware of in my lifetime" (and similar views expressed by Roger Moore and other stars) should be listened to very carefully.

Mr Blair's initiative was being presented yesterday as an attempt to "seize the high ground" on law and order | published in books before my from the conservatives. It is a pity to give it such a spin: this should be an issue on which all main parties could unite. Government briefings have already indicated a reluctance to take radical steps: with Labour, they should think again. The central aim must be how to shift the onus of justification. The question to ask is not whether an individual should be denied a firearms licence, but whether there is any good reason for the posession of such a weapon at all. Public opinion would accept this: politicians should lead.

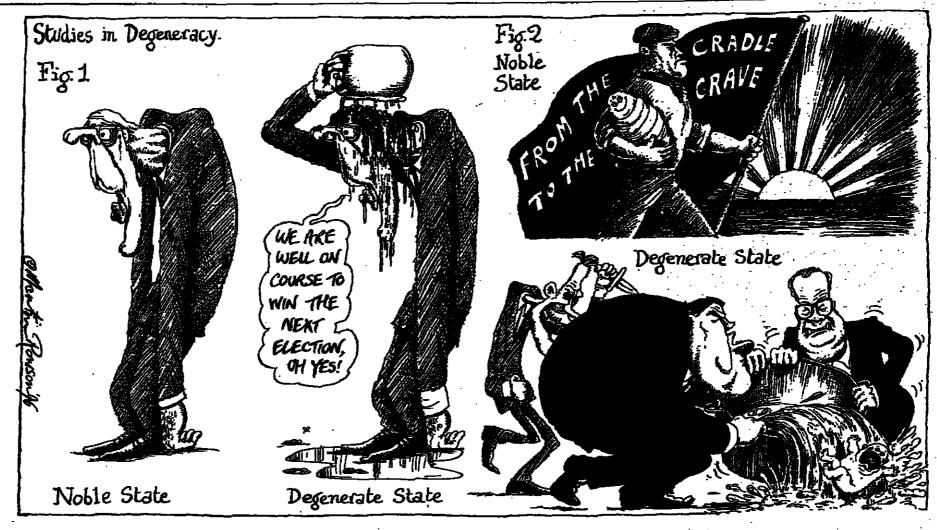
No one's refugees

But the boat people are still people

THE VIETNAMESE boat people who have rioted over the weekend in Hong Kong have failed to attract sympathy from any quarter. They are regarded as the hard core of a wave of "economic migrants" who are now using violent means to avoid repatriation. Even the UNHCR has announced its intention of washing its hands of them. Local Hong Kong opinion has long been outraged by the cost of their support — mostly met out of the territory's own funds. The fact that many are Vietnamese hoa - ethnic Chinese - makes no difference to the Hong Kong Chinese (or to Beiling). After the last serious riots two years ago, there was real concern at the behaviour of the Hong Kong security forces and an official inquiry concluded that excessive force had been used. This time the violence appears to have been on the detainees' side. The popular Hong Kong desire to "get tough" and if necessary deport the remaining 18,000 en masse can be understood. There is no serious suggestion that the returnees will suffer persecution back home. The UN agency has interviewed 23,000 of those who have returned since 1989 without finding evidence of discrimination. The US is now proposing and Vietnam may accept - a post-return re-interview which should also allay worries.

Yet should these people really be written off quite so comprehensively? When the boat people began to leave Vietnam, they were regarded as freedom seekers: US hostility to Hanoi ensured that no effective action was taken to begin repatriation for a number of years. Now those in Hong Kong face an arbitrary deadline of being returned by June 30, 1997 - because Britain promised to get rid of them before China takes over. In fact Beiling bears a measure of responsibility; many refugees travelled overland through south-east China while local officals turned a blind eye or collected bribes, only becoming "boat people" for the last few sea-miles to Hong Kong. The situation is even worse for another 17,000 in Thailand, the Philippines, Malaysia and Indonesia: they will be deprived of UNHCR aid next month in a strategy effectively designed to starve them out.

Amnesty International has expressed concern over some aspects of the screening procedure. There is also a problem in proving the Vietnamese identity of some detainees who may be refused re-entry by Vietnam. The Hong Kong government has proposed legislation to deny their right to stay — a worrying precedent on civil liberty grounds. Nor should it be forgotten that most refugees are not militant activists but women and children who have been confined behind barbed wire for years. This is a sad problem left over from a different past for which others bear some responsibility. Britain should not be bullied by Beijing into mass deportation by force which could easily lead to bloodshed. How to coax them to go back home remains a problem, but these are still human beings who should



Letters to the Editor

Of spies and story-tellers

tenced to 25 years for passing secrets to Russia, including letails of Britain's nuclear weapons" (Open season puts cat among mice, May 7). I have never been charged or tried for any offence concern-ing nuclear weapons. It is also "recruited 20 years earlier by Victor Oschenko". No evi-dence was produced to confirm such a claim, other than propaganda emanating from

I did not work with sensi-tive military information at GEC and there is no evidence that I ever gave "Russians", or anyone else, any information about Britain's military hardware. I was convicted on the basis that I had in my posses-sion some 10-year-old docu-ments, one of which was classified Restricted.

The Restricted document deailed a small component used in the Alarm missile but, as the component is sold com-mercially by GEC, it is not a sensitive device. The prosecu-tion obtained my conviction by claiming the document would assist in the jamming of Alarm. I have since proved most of the prosecution's claims were untrue, as the information had already been

Due to gross distortion and manipulation of evidence at "in camera" trial, and these later accusations (without evidence) about a nuclear to obtain the justice I cannot get in a British court. Michael John Smith

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√OUR article made grea I play of Helen Cresswell's contribution to the Enid Blyton television series with no mention of the chief writer. my client Julia Jones (Noddy goes moddy, May 7). Not only did Miss Jones write the bulk of the scripts, she wrote all the early ones which ironed out any problems of dramatisation and established the period, tone and character. Helen Cresswell was brought in later and took no

3 Lonsdale Road.

Euro wise, pound foolish Unequal treatment from an ailing National Health Service

Deutschmark, while remaining outside the ERM.

Shadowing from outside means that the pound adjusts to the Deutschmark, at the level set by the latter. Joining the system, however, would ensure adjustments are also made by the Germans, within the Central European Bank at stage III, when each member state shall have one vote over shaping monetary policy. Alexander Kazamias. Lecturer in European

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reasonably intelligent and educated but I do not pretend to have more than the faintest understanding of the implications for this, or any other, country of opting for a single

We tend to be a conserva-tive and rather xenophobic nation, prone to sentimentality about such things as the dear old pound sterling. For that reason, we are vulcracy", or surrendering con-trol of our economy to the Deutsche Bank, and do not, as we should, demand to know what would really happen.

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OPENED my newspaper this morning (the General Anzelger — the local paper in Bonn), and what do I see: the Daily Mail and John Redwood complaining about Europe. My fear is that this whingeing will not be recognised outside Britain for what it is: using Europe as a scapegoat to draw attention away from the many failed Conservative policies

Steve Moir. DLR, Linder Hohe, D-51140 Koln,

AM of that generation which remembers an earlier currency reform which decimalised our currency and confused our population in the name, we were told, of London NW11 7XU.

OU rightly state nerable to tendentious party-(Leader, May 9) that, for political nonsenses such as two years, the pound has been shadowing the eighty to the Brussels bureauthe suffering British public

have been submitted to the inconvenience of switching from imperial to metric mea-surements. I would want to see at least some reciprocal harmonisation from our European "partners" before approving a second currency reform in my lifetime.

A W Drury. akenham Road, Beetley. Dereham

Norfolk NR20 4BT.

HERE IS a tragedy in the making if Britain's older people, with all their ingrained prejudices, survive just long enough to deprive their offspring of the Europe they clearly want, a Europe free from ancient animosities

and closely shared with their Continental friends. We in the upper age bracket should be more willing to let the next generation have the deciding vote in shaping the future that belongs to them.

AS A GP, I can assure Prof | ringly simple. We can only buy so much healthcare per taking place all the time (Let pound so either we spend the ters, May 11). However, there is no structure or consistency to this process. The care you get depends on a number of

• The GP: is your relationship with them good or bad? What are their prejudices? Are they fundholders? Are they overspent? How old are

• Where do you live? What are your hospital services like? How good is the local consultant? How interested in private practice is he? How well trained are the junior doctors? Is it a teaching

 Do you live in the southeast? Every other region of the UK has proportionately fewer doctors. And the UK has fewer doctors than any comparable country.

All the above factors come into play in a random fashion to produce the covert rationing that allows the NHS to continue to function. It really is time that someone had the courage to start a national debate about the NHS. The mathematics are bone-jar-

same and buy a rationed amount of first-class healthcare for a limited number of conditions or we dig deeper into our pockets to pay for the level of healthcare that we ap-

pear to want. It is laughable that Stephen Dorrell believes we can find 3 per cent efficiency savings year on year. Industry achieves efficiency savings by a combination of new technology and new work practices. Unfortunately new technology and advances in knowledge will almost always add to the cost of healthcare rather than reduce it.

I find it deeply depressing (like most of my colleagues) but not at all surprising that politicians will not tackle this problem. The NHS will grind to a halt if nothing is done. (Dr) Mark Hayes. Hill Top Farm, Tithe Barn Lane.

Bardsey, Leeds S17 9DX.

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Prêt à Porter

THE BIG problem for Westreadjust the balance of voters out evidence) about a nuclear to pre-Porter days (Porter weapons offence, I have been faces £31m bill, May 10). forced to take my case to the There are several possible European Commission on ways, such as bussing in poor Human Rights, in an attempt people of firm left-wing views from the surrounding areas at election time. Alternatively, home-owners could be per suaded to sell their properties and move into rented council flats in the same way as people were persuaded to buy. But then, who is to say when the balance is correct? (Prof) Joan Freeman. 21 Montagu Square, London W1H 1RE.

ONE is troubled by West-minster residents shouting at Shirley Porter that she should "Go back to Israel". There is the whiff of an old prejudice to taunts like that. Dame Shirley may have made some contemptible, even corrupt, decisions in her life. Her part in the main decisionchoice of domicile was not among them. Gur A Hirshberg. 21 Garrick Avenue

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Trainspotting: a sequel

to take great delight in assuming that trainspotters will Jones, then director of breathe a sigh of relief at the research for BR. We talked retention of the BR double arrow logo (Minister ends trainspotters' torment, May 9). Even a cursory glance at

recent editions of enthusiasts' magazines would demolish this theory. Indeed, the preoccupation seems to be with the joys of the proliferation of new liveries and logos associated with recently created rail companies. Gerry Bates. 5 Spring Hill, Sheffield S10 1ET.

OST of the media, the ONCE made a journey from Strength of the media, the ONCE made a journey from Strength of the media, the ONCE made a journey from Strength of the Manchester in the company of Dr Sidney about a logo and agreed it had to show a high-speed tract with two-way traffic. When Dr Jones left the train, the precious back of the envelope on which we had sketched out our design was safely stowed in his pocket.

I am delighted that some-

thing so dynamic and straightforward will not be discarded. 9 Beech Avenue Worcester WR3 8PZ.

THE LAKE DISTRICT: Pass \mid refreshed. On this recent visit ing Easedale Tarn — surely \mid I looked in vain for evidence the trippers' tarn par excel- of the old stone hut, built on lence — in a walk over Tarn
Crag the other day. I remembered once being caught
swimming in the middle of it,
flow of the tarn. I remember it many years ago, by a violent cloudburst. My brother and I had done a round of the fells on an especially hot and humid day and coming down to the tarn, decided a cooling dip was quite essential. We were well out from the shore — costumeless, of course —

when the downpour began and it was still raining cats and dogs when we got back to our clothes, stuffed into rucksacks. So, to avoid getting drenched — we had no waterproofs in those days — we just pulled on our boots, shoul-dered our sacks and witness the awful sight —

civilisation, decent and

well and must have pur-chased many bottles of min-eral water there. The custodian at that time was an Irishman who, for a consider-ation, would bend six-inch nails into almost any required shape. Before his day, pots of tea were available at the hut, which I believe was built as a shelter for tourists visiting the tarn on ponies last century. During the holiday weekend, to avoid the crowds, we escaped to Black Combe, my first "mountain" more than 70 years ago. This splendid hill squelched through the deluge down to Grasmere in the alto-gether. There was nobody to land fells, dappled in cloud part of the brace. shadows, the "white horses" mass tourism hadn't yet on the beach nearly 2,000ft reached the felis — and later, we were able to dress in a insula, where I spent my boywe were able to dress in a shelter of the woods near Goody Bridge to emerge into map.

A HARRY GRIFFIN

The Which? guide to fractious retirement

Endpiece

Roy Hattersley

HIS is less of an essay than a warning. The next taxi driver. waiter, ticket collector, who asks me if I am looking forward to retirement, risks death. I am changing jobs, not retiring. But I have become the victim of the modern assumption that anyone over 60 - only 10 years younger than the United States presidency — is being measured for a zimmer frame. There is also a Member of Parliament is so desirable an activity that no one is willing to give it up be-fore rigor mortis sets in. Naturally, that view is par-

ticularly popular with longserving MPs who have begun to develop a greenish pallor. But it is a strange idea to be advanced by the general public, which holds the House of Commons in profound con to lift. But a colleague — 23 back ... "As you dodge apples tempt. I actually like the and therefore deaf to the rat- and pears this summer, you

ical demise is eagerly antici-pated by a number of financial institutions which have selflessly offered to help me make provision for my old age. I have been spared a letter from the insurance company which appeals on television for geriatrics to arrange their own funerals — thus sparing grieving loved ones the expense of a decent burial. But I have had much advice about how I should pass my lonely days. I told one potential care worker the Republican candidate for that I intended to plough my fields until I received a call to save the republic. He identi-fied senile dementia at once. widespread belief that being a Like Robert Browning, "I know full well what I mean to do, when the long dark autumn evenings come." But, at the moment, I am planning a scorching August.

So when I received a courtesy copy of the Which? 500page Guide to Active Retirement, my only thought was that it was too heavy for the wrinkled bathers on the cover

bour isn't always easy, espe-cially if you are living close together and enjoy different are pilifestyles." There followed 18 crisis. pages of suggestions about how pensioners could pass the time by causing trouble for the family next door. If Which? is right about the way themselves, I am going to send the people in my street monkey glands for Christmas.

ted plants are, it seems, out. Urban warfare is in. branches from a neighbour's tree overhang your property, you are entitled to cut them off at the point where they cross your boundary." Aggres-sion and avarice go hand in hand. "Branches with ripe fruits may have a particular appeal." A note of caution follows. "However, strictly speaking the branches of the fruit continue to be your neighbour's property. Which? had no doubt where the active pensioner's duty lies. "You could throw them

place. But 32 years is a long the of time's winged chariot—time in politics.

Naturally enough, my politices, "Being a good neightout that if the doddering old fool heart door has trees on his mind, flying fruit is only the start of your problems. You are probably facing a root

For the active pensioner prefers litigation to bingo. Tree roots may affect foundations and cause subsidence. The person on whose land the tree is growing will be respon-

He identified senile dementia at once

sible for the damage." But whose land is it anyway? 'It sometimes emerges from an examination of the deeds to the property that the bound-ary wall or fence has been erected in the wrong place." All over Britain, unscrupulous ancients are even now calculating whether they would make more out of suing for root-induced damage or by move house at once. But be staking a claim to the land careful as you leave not to which the roots have undermined. Their eventual deci- "Each time (your neighbours)

sion will almost certainly depend on whether or not the lengthly points out, "they are trespassing". who read the Which? guide.

For a properly rotten fence opportunities to keep young and healthy. Life can be made hell for the family on the other side of the decaying woodwork. If a fence collapses for instance, ruining your herbaceous border" — gardening septuagenarians are en-

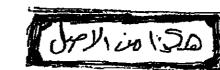
wander off your own foot path.

is "not automatically bound to agree to access for repair work". Indeed, Which? makes clear to him that "anyone who enters your land without express authority ... commits an act of trespass". If you have a broken-down old fence and live next door to an active pensioner, you would do well to

trespassing". The Guide To Active Retirement actually provides a draft letter that outraged pensionprovides the really creative ers can copy out and send to trouble-maker with endless people who are walking across which will soon be sawn off at the point where they cross their property. But it is not just the territo-

ing septuagenarians are entitled "to claim the cost of putting it right".

And do not imagine that they can be bought off with inadequate do-it-yourself repairs. The angry old chap with the crushed rose bushes is "not automatically bound to reassariom truder the Sala of pensation under the Sale of Goods Act. And so it goes on. How to return mail order goods. When to complain to the council about litter. Which bylaws deal with dogs that foul the pavement. Who is responsible when you trip over an uneven pavement. It sounds as if, in old age, we all become Mr Grousers. Thank goodness I am too young to remember the Children's Hour programme in which he appeared.



Vladivostok Diary

James Meek

WHEN you ask them what used to be at Zelyony Ugol they shrug and look at you as if you were mad. That was five years agol Ancient history! Just a bare hill, they say, and shrug again, and get on with the business of the day. There are three activities which bring people to this sprawling expanse of mud, gravel and kiosks every weekend: buying Japanese cars, selling Japanese cars, and hanging around in a leather jacket and flat cap looking hard.

around in a leather Jacker and flat cap looking hard. It is hard to believe, stand-ing at the edge of the pave-ment in central Vladivostok, and wondering as the min-utes tick past how anyone ever manages to cross a road, that at the beginning of the decade the car was a rare, precious and above all Rus-sian-made thing here. Whole families problems families pooled their savings and waited years, sometimes the whole of their working lives, for the boxy object of Soviet consumer desire, the Lada saloon, to come trum-dling east on the Trans-Sibe-rian railway.

Now there are no waiting lists, no tiny circle of Soviet

motorists puttering along the near-empty roads — almost no Ladas. Instead, Vladivos-tok hosts a ghostly replay of a Tokyo rush-hour of 1988: hundreds of thousands of second-hand Toyotas, Hondas, Nissans, Mazdas and Mitsubishis, spurned by their former Japanese owners as grubby and unsafe, snapped up by Russian traders and whisked by ex-Soviet merchantmen across the short sea-crossing to the market at Zelyony Ugol.

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The name means "Green Corner" — a reference, per-haps, to one of the Russian along with "baksi" and "cab-bage". Spread out across one of the hummocky heights which give Vladivostok the appearance of a deported Hong Kong, it is a spontaneous, wheeler dealing free for all which sees hundreds of old Japanese vehicles up for of a new Russian car.

"Why should anyone want to buy a Lada now?" laughed one of the market organisers, who appeared to be supervising the entire operation from a shipping container held level on a steep slope with piles of Japanese hub-caps. You could buy three Japa-

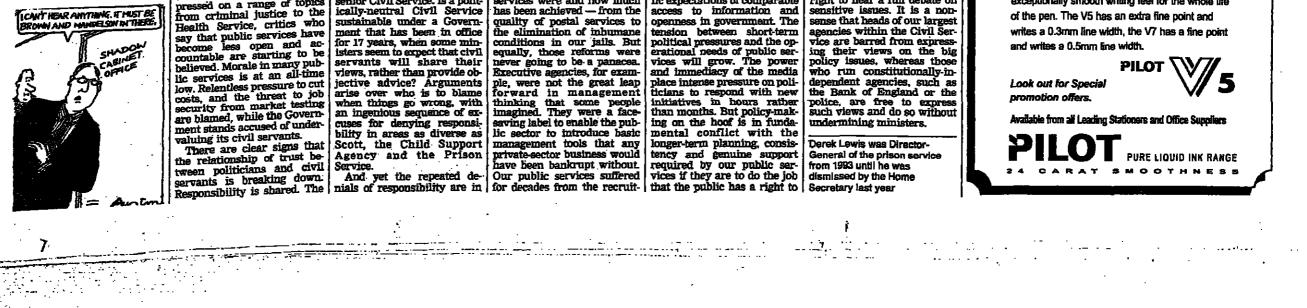
nese cars for the same price." Like the British, the Japanese drive on the left, and the Moscow government made protectionist noises a few years back when it threatened to prohibit the use of leff-hand-drive cars on Russian roads. The howls of protest from the Russian Far East were so furious that Moscow backed down. No ing can save the once-proud giants of Soviet motoring here now, particularly since garages and repair shops have switched over to spare

There are more Ladas on the byways of rural Fife than in downtown Vladivostok. The Volga saloon, once the last word in softening the impact of a pothole on bureau-cratic bottoms, is an endangered species. The poor old Moskvich, derided for unreliability even in Soviet times, is about to start looking for that great parking place in

parts for Japanese cars.

HE spirit of Soviet motoring has had a kind of revenge. Though the 135-year-old city's narrow, suited to western levels of traffic than York's, and have come to these levels far more suddenly, local drivers many of whom simply bought licences from crooked traffic policemen — drive their fast, high-powered Japanese cars as if nothing had changed and the roads were still virtually empty. The base instincts of the Russian motorist make any other European driving tradition look generous and polite. Perversely, despite the in-

flux of cars, Vladivostok is one of the harder cities in which to use that great Rus-sian innovation, the paid hitch - when you stick out nucn — when you suck our
your hand anywhere, a car
stops, you give your destination, agree a price, and go.
With the acquisition of foreign wheels, it seems, comes
a nouveary riche diedein for a nouveau-riche disdain for the pavement-bound pedestrian. In many former Soviet towns even ambulances will stop to give you a cheap ride, but in Vladivostok, fleets of empty Japanese minibuses will whizz past without stop-ping. As often as not, the one who takes pity will be the most despised and rejected of Far Eastern cars — the oldest, rustlest Moskvich.



essons in life from a striking Frenchman

Commentary Mark Lawson

is rehabilitation. Eric Cantona — a year after his career seemed ruined and, to some observ-ers, over — led his team up the steps at Wembley to accept the FA Cup won by his shot: from bad boy to Boy's Own. Dreaming of a similar transformation own. Dreaming of a similar transformation, a tarnished star of another code of football, OJ Simpson, flies in to converse live with Richard & Judy on ITV tonight, while the celebrity British poloplayer, CPAG Windsor, anounces the appointment of a nounces the appointment of a new media guru in the hope of re-establishing his grip on the British throne. Whatever they say about leopards and spots, all celebrity leopards these days employ spot-removers. OJ Simpson is, understandably, a sad and disillusioned man. It was the received cyni-

HE goal of the moment

Trump on the comeback trail. Equally, the logic of both American law and American capitalism seemed to be that someone buying a very expento get their money's worth if the purchase proved success-ful. But Simpson got a shock. The exonerating verdict of 12 of his fellow countrymen has been largely ignored in the rest of America, while the accusatory memoirs of one of his failed prosecutors, Christopher Darden, storm up the New York Three heartellar New York Times bestseller list

And so — just as Richard Nixon did early in the days of his own disgrace — Mr Simp-son has come to London and to the Oxford Union. His image-improving tour was designed by the publicist Max Clifford, Britain's established bag-carrier to media pariahs. According to Mr Clifford, Mr Simpson is hoping to appeal to benefit from the fabled British sense of justice and fair play. He is even, his publicist lets slip, thinking of setting up home in Surrey. It is not hard to see the at-

tractions of Surrey to Mr Simpson. Were he, for example, unfortunately to murder a couple of his neighbours, Brit-ish legal process and concism of most observers of ish legal process and con-American culture that, late in tempt-of-court rules would enthe 20th century, notoriety sure a near-silence in the gations against the Rt Hon the adulatory book (ditto); the was just another kind of fame and that Simpson would follow Michael Jackson, Woody — trial, while, were he to be again, while Mr Clark is a tions from the other side (by

Alien, Mike Tyson and Donald | acquitted, he would be able to bring libel or contempt pro-ceedings against anyone who suggested publicly that he had right to see England as being fairer than America in its treatment of suspected mur-derers. Whether this comes from innate decency or from a stricter legal system is something he will have to judge for himself.

Also, and I hope Mr Clifford has explained this to him, the best that he could hope for in Surrey would be to be ignored Surrey would be to be ignored and left alone, whereas you suspect that what he is really seeking is the return of his celebrity. A keen golfer, he might also be crediting England with too much decency in one important respect. His main problem on the golf courses of the Home Counties would not he that he might would not be that he might have murdered his wife but that he is black.

Let's hope that he appreci-ates as well that Mr Clifford can only do so much. Antonia De Sancha — whom the publi-

highly-paid journalist and best-selling author. Perhaps Mr Simpson's plan is to be forgotten. Certainly, it is a very ambitious rehabilitation plan that depends on an itinerary beginning with "dinner with Michael Winner". Whether even the English, decent as they are, can forgive that act must be considered

doubtful.

The cases of the Prince of Wales and Mr Simpson are not exactly comparable; for a start, one has been stabled in the back by his wife, while the other has the constitution. the other has the opposite problem. Even so, the beir to the throne is, reportedly, signing up Mark Bolland, di-rector of the Press Com-plaints Commission, to do for him what Clifford does for Simpson, and what the Amer-ican publicity guru Howard Rubenstein has just been retained to do for his former sister-in-law, the Duchess of Personally, if forced to

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choose between doing PR for can only do so much. Antonia

OJ Simpson or the Prince of
De Sancha — whom the publicist represented against David
ball player, on the basis that Mellor MP — is now a largelyforgotten actress, while Mr
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week's papers, raking in hundreds of thousands of pounds a year. The Harkess family of South Africa — whom he rep-resented in their sexual alle-(with Jonathan Dimbleby);

which we mean, here, the Princess of Wales). The last technique — successfully de-ployed by the Clinton adminployed by the Clinton admin-istration in recent years — would, presumably, be one of the jobs of Mr Bolland. But none of these tricks has so far had any impact on the central problem of the Royal Family, which is that the public has sided with the removable part (Diana) rather than the fixed part (Charles). The only obvi-ous solution would be for the Princess of Wales to be

Princess of Wales to be removed from the picture en-tirely, but that kind of thing, as OJ Simpson has discovered, can bring its own problems. And what is shown by Eric Cantona's final triumph over disgrace on Saturday is that public rehabilitation depends on two things. The first is a genuine attempt to deal with the problems of your own character. Eerily, in the moment of victors on Saturday.

ment of victory on Saturday, Cantona was provided with a provocation to attack a fan, when a thug sprayed him with saliva on the steps of the Royal box. For a moment, his gorge seemed to rise, but he forced it back down. This psychological adjustment is a possibility for other beleaguered celebrities but, more replaced by Zoe Ball, daughter of erstwhile children's problematically, the second lesson from the Cantona affair is that recovery of public faith is best achieved by simply doing your job fantasti-cally well. Rather like a trou-bled politician, Cantona has gained rehabilitation through

Unfortunately, as neither the Prince of Wales nor OJ Simpson really has a job, this course is not open to them. Perhaps the only option in these circumstances is to seek territory which is either more welcoming or at least indifferent. Maybe this is the way the story should end, with OJ Simpson living near Windsor and the Prince of Wales residing near Los Angeles.

expect. And the increasing proportion of our senior poli-ticians for whom politics has been their sole career exacerbates that tension. They understand the political sys-tem intimately, but that is not matched by an understanding of what makes organisations concept of the floating voters, but not the needs of ordinary people in their daily working lives. The increasing short-term political pressures, polit-ical insecurity and new technology for handling infor-mation and communication, which makes it easier to take

centralise decision-making.

HE answer for the build on, but not to throw away, the already been achieved. Four specific steps would help to being followed by his daughter with the state of the state o ☐ Restoration of integrity to the way public services are managed and the acceptance of responsibility. The division etween policy and operations will never insulate min-isters from responsibility for what goes on in their departments. They do different jobs. Ministers set policy, provide money and supervise; civil servants manage operations and provide the services. But responsibility extends seamlessly all the way up from the front-line employee through the chief executive to the minister concerned. An honest acunderstanding that ministers do not necessarily need to resign when things go wrong mless five are personally at fault, would go a long way to restoring confidence in the accountability of our public

□ Re-emphasis of the requirement of ministers to provide leadership for public services. They must win the hearts and minds of the people who serve the public. ☐ The allure of centralisastion must be resisted. Privati-sation and contracting out have their place, even though opportunities are now fewer. Many other services must remain in the public sector, but the dead hand of central government needs to be kept away. That means giving services like immigration and prisons statutory indepen-dence from ministers, similar to that of the police. Ministers should set policy through the transparent mechanism of legislation, determine spending levels and perform the essential checks on efficiency through independent inspec-torates — but no more.

☐ Finally, the legitimate expectations of the public for information should be met. While the provision of information is voluntary, there will always be some who are economical or evasive. Only legislation — a Freedom of Information Act — will suffice. The public also has a sight to be the full debate on right to hear a full debate on sensitive issues. It is a non-sense that heads of our largest agencies within the Civil Ser-vice are barred from expressing their views on the big policy issues, whereas those who run constitutionally-in-dependent agencies, such as the Bank of England or the police, are free to express such views and do so without

Derek Lewis was Director-General of the prison service from 1993 until he was servants is breaking down. And yet the repeated de Our public services suffered vices if they are to do the job dismissed by the Ho Responsibility is shared. The inials of responsibility are in for decades from the recruit that the public has a right to Secretary last year

Thanks for the cultural capital, Dad



Ros Coward

ing an inherited industry? If recent changes on the ter of erstwhile children's presenter Johnny Ball.

Everybody knows about the aristocratic dynasties of the media like the Dimblebys. Now we see something different. All around, the offspring of minor media aristocracy are coming into their inheri-tances: Emma Forbes, daughter of Bryan Forbes and Na-nette Newman; Caron Keating, daughter of Gloria Honeyford; Emma Freud, daughter of Clement of the dog-food and Lib Dems; Sa-mantha Norman, daughter of Barry (himself son of Ealing film director Leslie) and so This does not just affect

presenters. In the backrooms, amongst the commissioners and producers, showbiz dynasties are commonplace. Off-spring of the major players in 60s television are now in pow-erful broadcasting positions. Channel Four is well known for Michael Grade, scion of the Grade Tribe: Lew Grade, TV and film mogul, Bernard Delfont of The London Palla-dium, and Leslie Grade, a key agent. Less well-known is that Grade's second-in-command, John Willis, is the son of Lord Ted Willis who gave us Dixon Of Dock Green. Meanwhile, Billy Cotton Junior has now retired from running BBC TV which, in the 50s, had fea-tured his father's Saturdaynight band show. Cotton now decisions centrally, will also works with a successful inde-strengthen the temptation to pendent production company. Game-show mogul Jeremy Fox is son of another former BBC (and ITV) mogul, Paul

Fox.
The same pattern is true across other media as well tor Max Hastings was the pioneering TV journalist Mac-donald Hastings.

There's something typically British here. Our system can turn any institution, even an apparently democratic one, into a hereditary class sys-tem. One element in this may be the conservatism of the old boys' network making ap-pointments in its own image.

ment. But it also reflects a peculiarly British obsession with creating ourselves as minor aristocrats, handing down advantage to our

offspring.

This has certainly happened in housing A "property-owning democracy" may sound egalitarian and fair. But one generation down the line it received. line it creates vast inequal-ities between those who have inherited housing from their parents and those who have

Now there even seems to be a Tory-Labour consensus that we should dismantle the welfare state so the property can still be inherited intact.

The media represent cul-tural capital rather than fi-nancial wealth. In the past, politics would have been the place to find such dynasties. They now occur in the media. saying a great deal about where power is seen to reside. Cultural capital is especially valuable in an industry like broadcasting where there are no formal training structures. The scheme to set up standardised qualifications is in its early stages. What counts is knowledge and contacts. It's a matter of how much you know about the risks and skills involved, and, probably more important, who you know. Those born to the manor have that invaluable asset, a ready-made network. The rest have to work the Grou-

ANY might say that British television was never a meritocracy in the first place, that it has always been dominated by Reithian notions of broadcasting as a ruling-class instrument for educating and influencing the lower orders. This ethos persisted right through to the 70s with the BBC's graduate-training scheme. But since then, there hasn't been the same route of entry into an élite. Broadcasting is more fragmented, with multiple ways in and a diversity of institutions.

But in spite of massive changes in the industry, in-cluding huge numbers of graduates emerging from media-studies courses, it is still run like a village. Only a handful of courses provide any real working knowledge of the industry, so how do the powerful make their selections? By recommendation, by networks, and by trusting the "good" families. History is full of examples

beginning to match that of the ners, ability and morality Dimblebys. The father of edi-when capital gets trapped in families. You would think we had learned a lesson from weak, self-important, degenerate aristocracy of the 18th century. One look at Paula Yates (daughter of Jess Yates, television organist) proves that the same process is at work in the transmission of cultural capital. Is it just coincidence that the obvious term for this new media aristocthe curse of British manage- | racy is mediocracy?



Free the servants

Derek Lewis lost his job in a row over responsibility for prisons. Here he explains how government

agencies should be protected from incompetent or over-excited ministers

that they have never been better after the radical surbetter after the radical surgery of the last decade. But there are signs that all is not there are signs that all is not well. Amid allegations that well. Amid allegations that their choice.

Many are concerned about embarrassing research and statistics have been suppressed on a range of topics from criminal justice to the Health Service, critics who say that public services have become less open and accountable are starting to be believed. Morale in many public services is at an all-time. low. Relentless pressure to cut costs, and the threat to job security from market testing are blamed, while the Govern-ment stands accused of undervaluing its civil servants. There are clear signs that the relationship of trust be-

tween politicians and civil

HAT is happening in our key public services? The official results of the control cial story is prising when ministers themselves repeatedly flout their own rules and undermine the right of Parliament to know

creeping politicisation of the senior Civil Service. Is a polit-ically-neutral Civil Service sustainable under a Government that has been in office for 17 years, when some min-isters seem to expect that civil servants will share their views, rather than provide objective advice? Arguments arise over who is to blame when things go wrong, with an ingenious sequence of excuses for denying responsibility in areas as diverse as Scott, the Child Support Agency and the Prison

cial world.

The big public-service reforms — Next Steps executive agencies, market testing and the Citizens' Charter — were supposed to cure the long-standing problems of our cumstances as we approach mublic services. Before contact the millennium.

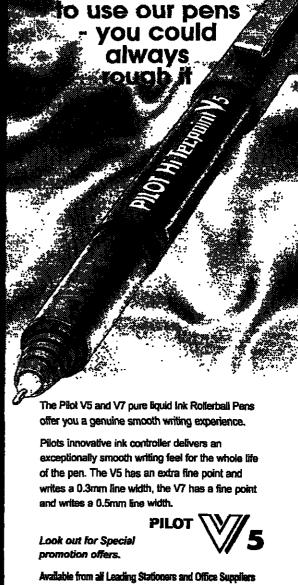
Strong measures and duce umpleasant side-effects, which is why reform can never stop. We now need a fresh and honest look which recognises the prevailing circumstances as we approach the millennium.

ment, probation-officer quali-

public services. Before con-demning them as a failure, it would be well to remember fust how awful some of those services were and how much has been achieved - from the quality of postal services to Executive agencies, for example, were not the great leap forward in management thinking that some people imagined. They were a face-saving label to enable the public executive the introduce here. lic sector to introduce basic

marked contrast with the apparent readiness to centralise decision-making in some areas. Centralisation of decisions in the criminal justice of making our services work world—about police management, probation-officer quali-Oxbridge may be an excellent fications, prison regimes and basis on which to recruit pol-mandatory sentencing — is at lcy advisers, but it is not necodds with the recognition that government cannot make good decisions in the commer-abilities. Strong medicines can pro

Explosive growth in the availability of information will reinforce legitimate public expectations of comparable access to information and openness in government. The the elimination of inhumane conditions in our jails. But equally, those reforms were never going to be a panacea. Executive agencies, for example, were not the great leap forward in management thinking that some people inscined That were a feet. than months. But policy-making on the hoof is in fundaundermining ministers. mental conflict with the management tools that any longer-term planning, consis-private-sector business would tency and genuine support have been bankrupt without required by our public ser-



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Adding up the economy

who has died aged 71. transformed the teaching of econometrics. As a practitioner and writer, he had a great influence, particularly while professor of econometrics at the London School of Economics.

Denis speeded the adaptation by economists of more scientific methods. Particularly, he used statistical techniques to analyse the relation-ships between observations on quantities (macro-economic ime series) such as national expenditure and income. wages and prices - and the

unemployment rate.
After Doncaster Grammar
School, and Cambridge, where
Denis obtained the top results in the mathematics tripos at St John's, he spent the war on statistical testing of weapons. He then read Maynard Keynes's General Theory of Employment, Interest and Money. The work made him optimistic about what economics could accomplish such as avoiding 1930s mem-

ENIS SARGAN, | Keynes's use of mathematics meant Denis realised the potential for mathematics and statistics in economics. He quickly gained a Cambridge economics degree, and became an economics lecturer at Leeds University

While there he became in-

terested in developing a small econometric model of the British economy, a mathematical representation of the relationships between major variables within it. Today, the Trea-sury, Bank of England, National Institute of Eco-nomic and Social Research, and the London Business School all have models of the type he devised. His early lack of powerful computers econometric researchers. But after a late 1950s visit to the universities of Minnesota and Chicago he decided to devote himself to developing econo-

metrics in Britain.
In 1963 he moved to the LSE as a reader in statistics, becoming a professor of economics in 1964. His appointment



Denis Sargan . . . influential

new mathematical economics and econometrics courses introduced to train professional economists. Today there is a highly sucessful LSE approach to econometrics, origi-nating fron Denis's work and evidenced by the number of his past students occupying professorships around the world. His teaching of econo-

tiers — was legendary. Denis would lecture without reference to his notes and remember from week to week exactly what topic he was discussing. Much of the research conducted by Denis and his students was embedded in applied econometrics. For xample, while at Leeds in the is 10 per cent. While Phillips's 1950s. Denis discovered an apparently stable relationship 1950s research was solely conbetween inflation and unemcerned with wage increases ployment, as did Professor Bill Phillips at the LSE at the same and unemployment, Denis had introduced a third factor:

time. But Denis was unconvinced that a small increase in memployment would cure inflation, so he continued to explore the details of this relationship. The outcome was his 1963 paper for a Bris-tol University Colston Society conference on wage-price inflation, which sowed the seeds for a major change in econowhat is now called the "error correction model" and it is the most commonly used representation for time series relationships. Of crucial relevance for all

ployment levels - and was part of a programme of metric theory - with a con- of us is the fact that by apply relationship with Mary.

tent from the research fron- | ing his new tools, Denis dem- | whom he married in 1953, his onstrated how important children and his interest in "real-wage resistance" is in gardening and music. It was a wage bargains, so that there existed a "catch-up" mechanism for recouping losses incurred from unanticipated inflation - when inflation is 1 per cent, a 5 per cent wage increase is acceptable to workers, but is not when inflation

> price inflation. During the meetings that Denis held with his students, we experienced the speed with which he could respond to what we thought were difficult new ideas, and we began to realise that his published work was the tip of an iceberg. There was an abundant sup ply of his research results in his office, waiting for Denis to find the time to improve them.

although to many of us those we saw appeared to be imnova-tive and complete already. Meeting Denis we realised the importance to him of his

nis at the many conferences where he presented papers after which they would visit galleries, museums and ar-

Denis became the Econometric Society's president in 1980, a fellow of the British Academy in 1981, and an honorary foreign member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 1987. In 1993 he received an honorary doctorate from Madrid's University of Carlos III.

Denis was a warm and encouraging teacher, a support-ive colleague and a man with an ever-present smile and a sparkle in his eyes. He will be greatly missed by his many academic children, as well as by Mary and their daughter, two sons, and two grand

Denis Sargan, econometrician, born August 23, 1924; died April



Trail blazer ... Patsy Montana

Patsy Montana

Sweet voice of the Old West

N 1935, Patsy Montana was updated her image in songs the first female country like Swing Time Cowgirl. During the second world war, seller. And vears later Ronald Reagan wrote to her that I Want To Be A Cowboy's Sweetheart "was the song every cowboy wanted to hear his favourite girlfriend sing". Her success blazed a trail that would be followed the likes of Kitty Wells and Patsy Cline.

Montana, who has died aged 81, grew up in Arkansas and was educated in Bill Clinton's home town. Hope. In 1930, while visiting relatives in California, she yodelled a couple of songs in a talent contest, and won a Hollywood radio station spot. She then worked with country singer Stuart Hamblen — who per-suaded her to abandon her own name of Ruby Blevins and with future Louisiana

governor Jimmie Davis. Then, while visiting the 1933 Chicago World's Fair. 19year-old Patsy joined the Prairie Ramblers, a four-man stringband performing on WLS radio's National Barn Dance. Owned by Sears Roebuck mail-order — its call letters stood for "World's Largest Store" — the station dominated the midwest and dispatched its stars on gruelling tours of Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin and Iowa, introducing immigrant and first generation American farmers to the music and mythology of an already fictionalised Old West. Patsy had lessly exhibited talent for yodelling. With an eye to her own stage name, she wrote at least half a dozen songs with

Montana in the title. The Prairie Ramblers' frolicsome playing had been touched by the hot wind of western swing, the jazz-influenced music that blasted out of Texas and Oklahoma in the country music singer, born Octo-

like many country artists Patsy concentrated on touring rather than studio work. She returned to radio in 1946-47 with a networked show, Wake Up And Smile, but she missed the serendipitous at-mosphere of pre-war record-ing sessions and did little fur-

ther work on disc. In the 1950s and 1960s she spent more time with her family. She had married Paul Rose, the manager of another W L S country act, in 1934 and had two daughters. Judy and Beverly, whom she initiated in the business before they were in their teens. By the late 1960s Patsy and Judy were pioneering the motherand-daughter format that would later be exploited by Naomi and Wynonna Judd.

In the 1970s and 1980s, now seen as a grand-dame of country music, Patsy was invited to gatherings of old-timers and to academic conferences on women in country music. She also vis-ited Britain several times. Finding producers sympa-thetic to her view that old songs should be sung and played the old-time way, she began recording again. Her last album was released in 1988, when she was 74. She leaves her husband and her daughter Beverley.

"I'm still pickin' and grin-Lots of good things have happened. I did concerts at the Kennedy Centre and the Library of Congress, and I was inducted into the National Cowgirl Hall of Fame. This was a real thrill."

later 1930s, and Patsy gaily ber 30, 1914; died May 3, 1996

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Henry Clarke

Style always in Vogue

was eclipsed by those of Irving Penn, his colleague at Vogue magazine's New York studios, and Richard Avedon, his contemporary at Harper's Bazaar. Yet Clarke's photographs capture the world of 1950s haute couture more consistently than any other photographer. His photographs of the sang froid elegance of Dovima. Della Oake, Anne Saint-Marie, Suzy Parker and Dorian Leigh are masterpieces of extravagance unparallelled in postwar fash-

ion photography. His productivity was extraordinarly high, and always of an exceptional standard. He had negotiated a unique congraphed, from 1951, for French, British and American tions for the magazines more frequently than any other pho-tographer, and in the 1960s American Vogue editor Diana Vreeland often commanded from him, for a single issue, at least 24 pages of exotic loca-

little interest in photography before embarking for Paris graphs glimpsed in it), but outside ultra-elegant fashion and a lifetime's service to much of the character — an

*HE career of Henry | and celebrity portraits. Per-Clarke, who has died | haps this refusal to diversify, ostentation — his close friend, Susan Train, American Vogue's Paris bureau chief, recalls a fondness for "racing around the country with two models, a hairdresser and a fleet of cars" - has allowed his work to fall out of favour. Born in Los Angeles, Clarke's early life was itinerant, as his Irish immigrant parents moved through Chicago. Washington, Florida, back to Chicago, and finally, in 1932, to San Francisco. In dresser for the 1 Magnin store in Oakland, he took six months leave and moved to New York. A chance meeting brought him to the props tract by which he photo- room at the Condé Nast studios as "accessorizing assistant". Seeing the legendary Vogue. He covered the spring | Horst P Horst in action and, more particularly, Cecil Beaton photographing Dorian

Leigh, he realised his vocation. After learning how to handle the Vogue issue Rollei-flex camera, he enrolled, like Penn and Avedon, in the art tion work.

He shared none of Penn and Avedon's versatility, having mitted work to Kaleidoscope



Picture of elegance . . . Henry Clarke and his models at Vogue's London studio in 1953 PHOTO VOGUE/CORDE NAST PUBLICATION

Vogue, by way of the magazines Femina and Album de Figaro and stints as salon pho-

tographer to couturiers Jean ès and Captain Molyneux. The character in Stanley Donen's Funny Face, played by Fred Astaire, is popularly associated with Avedon (who worked as technical adviser on the film and took the photoAmerican very at home in (Parker) posing and clowning gathering dust in a Parisian cowgirl charms, and a tire-Paris — is pure Henry Clarke: enchantingly ... French-fried bank vault, have been left to lessly exhibited talent for yoimpeccably presented, unfail-ing courteous in the fashion world maelstrom, quietly inscrutable as a model girl's best friend, as well as possessor of a sure instinct for what is

memoirs that "with Henry Clarke photographing, Suzy | prints and negatives, so long | died April 28, 1996

potatoes and red wine cluttering the tables, and Maurice the red-faced bantam assistant, trying on hats, it was the gayest collection of my

career". "right" for his magazine.

Bettina Ballard, of American Vogue, recalled in her of his work to be published, which is now out of print. His

own surround sound system, Ambisonics, which he worked on with other aca-

the Musée de la Mode et du Costume in Paris, and perhaps in time he will be accorded the attention he so discreetly and assiduously denied himself.

-- than most people. Inevita-bly, Michael developed his own surround sound system, ity on to CDs. His last work

Henry Clarks, fashion photogra pher, born December 16, 1918;

was for a voluntary industry group, Acoustic Renaissance

for Audio, which aims to per-

suade the Japanese industry to set standards for future

variants of CD that will deliver super hi-fi that surround the listener. The key to this is

a digital technique, lossless

coding, and Gerzon and Cra-ven were at the final stages of

research when he was rushed to hospital and died. The

work will continue, and some-

time around 2026 engineers will be trying to patent inven-

tions that they think are new

and repeatedly finding that Michael Gerzon had got there

Birthdays

Sir Crispin Agnew of Loch- Sanjiva Reddy, former presi-naw, Bt, explorer and geneal- dent of India, 83; Selina ogist, 52; William Allen, deputy director, Bank of England, 48; Luciano Benetton, founder and president Benetton, 61; Joe Brown, singer, guitarist, 55; Eileen Diss, theatre, film and television designer, 65; Jim Doug-las, jazz guitarist, 54; Colin Ford, director, National Museum of Wales, 62; Peter Gabriel, singer, 46; Dr Jane Glover, conductor, 47; Sir John Habakkuk, former principal. Jesus College, Oxford, 81; Harvey Keitel, actor, 57; Sir Laurence Kirwan, archaeologist, 89; Tasmin Little, violinist, 31: Sydney Lipworth, deputy chairman, National Westminster Bank, 65; Tim Pigott-Smith, actor, 50; Sir Alfred Pugsley, civil engineer, 93;

dent of India, 83; Selina Scott, television presenter, 45; Helen Sharman, astronaut. 33: Sir William Utting. former chief inspector, Social Services Inspectorate, 65; Zoe Wanamaker, actress, 47; Stevie Wonder, singer, composer, 45.

Death Notices

Michael Gerzon

An insight on sound

died aged 50 from complications from asthma, in the early 1970s. It was the time of | wire cage through angles, exthe absurd quadraphonic plained vectors in gloriously sound battle. At least four simple language. Michael companies had squeezed four hi-fi channels into a stereo LP though SQ might sound good groove for reproduction with some musical material through four loudspeakers, one at each corner of the living room.

The CBS record company later bought by Sony — dem-onstrated its SQ system at a Park Lane hotel and provided a highly technical mathematical explanation of why SQ slightly patronising.
was better than their Japanese rivals' systems with talk Mathematical Institute. cal explanation of why SQ

FIRST came across of "vectors". It sailed right Michael worked for 20 years Michael Gerson, who has over our heads.

A frail young man stood up, and, turning a flimsy square Gerzon's point was that al-- like that used for the demonstration — theory proved that there would always be more music that would sound wrong. Gerzon could make the most complicated concepts understandable, without ever sounding even audio, video and computer projects. His partner on many projects was Peter Craven. "What Michael has done," he said, explaining why few people outside the electronics industry will have heard of Gerzon, "the world will want

in 30 years time."
During the 1970s, relations worsened. At industry seminars, Michael kept popping up and asking questions which demolished their theories. He wasn't out to harm CBS, but he firmly believed and had the maths to prove it



right for home hi-fi. His arguments carried special weight because he was not just a maths theorist. He loved music, of all types, and made many live recordings as a hobby. He also had very acute

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money. You still have to buy

have two cows. The Govern-

ment gives your cowhand the right to tell you what to do

Ecology Party: You have two cows. The Government tells

you what to do with the

Thanks to reader Chris

Major insight

Tim Rogers, reporter for the

Prague Post, was hoping to

Liberal Democracy: You

with the milk.

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demics and recording engineers. The system was backed by the National Research Development Corporation — which later became the British Technology Group — but never took off. The NRDC never seemed to understand the consumer electronics market, and missed the op-portunity to team up with Dolby Laboratories and offer the choice of Ambisonics for playing music CDs with subtle fidelity and Dolby sur-round for the blockbuster home cinema effects that are now all the rage. In the 1980s, Gerzon moved on to digital audio and video,

laying the foundation for many of the contemporary and had the maths to prove it hearing. He could hear much systems. With Craven, he that none of the quadra-higher frequencies — 23 KHz wrote the theory for noise

Michael Gerzon, mathematician audio expert, born December 1945; died May 6, 1996 that was stated around the po-

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Barry Fox

ecutive," she explained. This

Tory pressed The Daily Express editor, Richard Addis, gives us an insider's

take on the general election. New Statesman Today and over the next 12 months it seems to me that the Conservative papers have

four choices: The first is to develop an argument that says politicians, regardless of their party, have let us down. But given that the Tories have had two decades to make a mess of things, and they are all as bad as each

other, we might as well give Labour a chance. The second choice would be to say that to be a true Tory -- a one nation, devolutionist, well farist hotchpotch of a Tory one would now be turning to Labour: thus a moral Conservative should vote for Tony

The third choice would be to say that, for all its manifold

comings, the Tory party is still a far better guarantee of Britain's prosperity and place in the world than anything New Labour could come up with and that we should all

The final choice would be to argue that the Tory Party was the right party to govern Britain, but had so far betrayed its natural supporters and its history, that it was only by losing that it could rediscover its true spirit. New Labour, after all, would not be such a disaster for Britain and a reborn Tory Party could shortly return to power.

of these options will be covered in Tory papers by polling day. He declines to tell us what the Express will be saying, as to give it away would surely be spoiling the fun!

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Final Goal

Goalkeepers will not be the only ones looking to make saves this summer when hordes of football fans converge on England for the European Championships. Thrust into their hands may be The Ultimate Goal, a book let written by Christians in Sport. Fans can feast on 16 pages of team facts and colour photographs before they reach the Godly content, which features the testimonies of the former Coventry striker Cyrille Regis, and Gavin Peacock, the Chelsea player. It also includes advice on "Training for victory", or how to "develop spiritual

muscles". This is illustrated with a photograph of the current England coach, Terry Venables, whose faith, if he has one, is not widely known. Yea, thus is proclaimed the word by the Church Times.

Baby food

Thousands of human placenas from hospitals in Switzerland have been turned into animal feed since the 1960s. says Zurich city council. The council has launched an inquiry into how such a practice, which breaches hospital guidelines on waste disposal, could remain undetected for so long. "Ethically it is outra-geous," says Ursula Vettori, head of the department of health and environment in Zurich. "We have stopped it. And with our inquiry we are trying to find out whether we need to take further action against anyone for breaking the rules." Placentas are now incinerated with other human remains. Vettori has evidence that 820 kg of human placentas from the Red Cross Hospital and

the Nursing School in Zurich

were mixed in with dead pets since the start of 1995. investigated the links between contaminated animal feed and BSE, and found something much more disturbing, . *reported in* New Scientist.

Cow dolls?

We could see that their heads were becoming misshapen and brown tears were trickling out of their eyeballs." British Scientist Howell Edwards, describing not mad cous, but a chemical problem that is wrecking collections of antique dolls, in Newsweek.

Udder theory

New Labour: The Govern-

of one of the two cows you

ment buys back the front half

Thatcherian Conservatism: You had two cows, but a previous government took them from you (see Bureaucratic Socialism). The Government sells them to someone else, and you still have to buy the

overhear the leader's words of wisdom when visited the city. 'I didn't mean to be there, listening in on the two prime ministers' idle banter during their photo opportunity on the Charles Bridge. I was on my way to Mala Strana when I met a photographer friend on the bridge moments before John Major and Vaclay Klaus were due there, and I waited with him amid the pack of

camera-toting professionals.

When they arrived. I kept as

close as possible, trying not to

pushed back the photogra-phers as the politicians advanced. As I stepped to the side to let the whole frenzied affair pass, so did the two politicians, pausing to peer down at the river. If not for a secretservice man between us. I could have touched Klaus. That's when I heard Major say, "So the river flows under this bridge, then?" Klaus, simply smiled politely. I saw the thought balloon above the

Czech prime minister that

said, "John, no wonder you're

Barbie exec

done in politics,"

Jill Barad, president and chief operating officer of Matel Inc. on the future of little women in the Toronto Star's business Some women had begun to ask

questions about Barbie's relevance in the age of fem<u>inism</u>. Barbie had, in fact, been an astronaut, a doctor and a teacher, "but she never got recognition for it," Barad said. "So, the first thing I did was send her to work, officially and formally, with a

briefcase, she had a computer she had a Wall Sreet Journal and she had a credit card, but she wasn't just a business woman because . . . we had he outfit turn into this fabulous view on what stand we can expect the Conservative papers to

silly. And it was pink, of course. But it brought Barbie to a place where a little girl thought it was fun to play ex-STATESMAN



vote Corservative without hesitation.

Richard bets that at least three

Symonds show for Test video

David Foot at Bristol

NDREW SYMONDS us guessing about his England aspirations but the Test video footage at Nevil Road does not lie. His unbeaten century against the tourists yesterday surely placed him tantalisingly closer to international recog-nition, whatever the para-doxes of his career.

He was never reckless as he reached 120 by the close but his innings was positive enough to light up the day's play. All his 16 fours were crisp, many elegant; a six off Funil Joshi was Jessopian and probably hit straighter. His runs came off 138 balls and he always looked composed; despite the poker face, one ima-gines his intent is a matter of private, inner fervour.

Gloucestershire's "nurser once a source of negligible talent, is these days increasingly productive. It was now the turn of Dominic Hewson to earn general wiseacre nods of approval for his near threedebut. There is nothing flash or wanton in his demeanour: perhaps offers a clue to the tongue-in-cheek nickname of Condom bestowed on him by team-mates. He scored just six bound-

aries and then only when the bowler erred in direction, but the half-century was a reassuring introductory landmark before he was yorked by Anil Kumble. His stand with Symonds had steadied Gloucestershire when they appeared to be swaying at 38 for three. It was worth 140 runs, spread over 29 overs, with Symonds having more of the strike and supplying more

Before that, Bobby Bawson had been held at short leg. Monte Lynch to a catch at the wicket, and Tim Hancock fell when selecting quite the wrong ball to leave well alone. Lynch remained transfixed for an eternity before starting a contemplative walk back. His had, after all, been a long and costly wait; he had been left out of the early matches after failing to put in an appearance for a second XI fixture, which brought him a reprimand and a heavy fine.

All three wickets went to Javagal Srinath in 10 balls after he had opened with three consecutive maidens.

Scoreboard

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Marie Design

AXA Equity & Law League

235, 241.
Did not bet: A R K Pleason, A D Mulially.
Bowling: Martin 8-0-45-1; Austin 8-0-33-0; Elworthy 4-0-38-0; Yates 8-0-49-2; Watkinson 7-0-50-2; Gallian 5-0-38-2.

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D Byas C Jones b Harris

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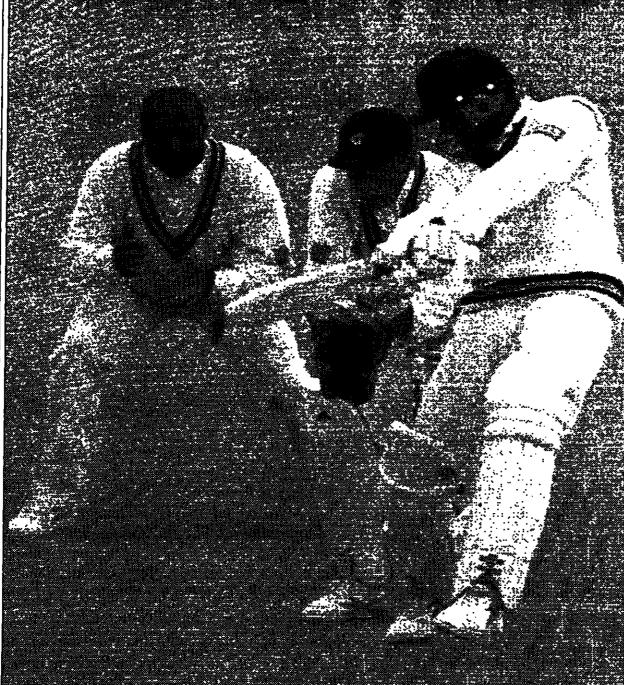
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Extras (lb4, w4, nb8)

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Total (for 5, 40-65), 68, 57, 87, 171, 173, 202, 207, 210.
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Bowlings Cork 8-0-41-3; DeFreilas
G-0-46-0; Griffith 8-0-30-1; Marris
6-0-46-0; Griffith 8-0-30-1; Jones 1-0-5-0; Aldred 5-0-35-1.

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G Cork run out
A Griffith run out



pace and guile - from the | Earlier the tourists had | perience for him. He has few nets and close-range observation last summer when he

taken their first-innings total to 406. Sourav Ganguly was would surely have taken 100 held at slip in the second over wickets for them but for eventual injury and fatigue. His subtlety is admirable but it Jon Lewis, Rahul Dravid was

obvious prospects of promotion to Test level at the moment but his nine boundaries were well executed. Mark Alleyne, captaining

Gloucestershire in the ab-

Total (for 6, 39.4 overs) 200
Fedi of wickets: 28, 46, 58, 78, 148, 192
Did not bed: J E Emburey, C E L Ambrose, N A Mallender.

Bowling: Gibson 7.4-1-26-1; Watkin 8-1-36-0; Berwick 8-0-34-4; Croft 8-1-43-0; Date 6-0-34-1. Thomas 2-0-17-0.

(Today: 11.0)

GLOUCESTERSHIRE Y INDIANS

Patt of wickets court 290, 328, 338, 398, 405.

Bowling: Lewis 34-8-85-1; Sheeraz 22-3-101-0; Boden 6-0-19-0; Alleyne 29.1-5-81-5; Davis 25-2-88-2; Hancock 5-0-14-0; Dawson 2-0-3-1.

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R I Dawson c Rathora b Srinath ... 15
D R Hewson b Kumble ... 33
M A Lynch c Dravid b Srinath ... 4
T H C Hancock b Srinath ... 4
A Symonds not out ... 120
"M W Allsyne not out ... 43
Extras (b5, ib7) ... 12

Test of winkets: 28. 34, 38, 178.
To hat: †R C J Williams, R P Davis, J Lewis, D J P Soden, K P Sheeraz.
Sowifing: Srinath: 16–5.58–2; Vanicatesh: 14–2.40–0; Vanicatesh: 32–47–0. Kumble: 18–2.43–1; Losh: 8–2.47–0.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE

Total (for 4, 64 overs).

Bristok Gloucestershire trail the Indians by 155 runs with six first-lonings wickets standare.

Tour match

successful of the bowlers with five for 81 off just under 30 overs. For the most part he handled a modest county attack, complicated by Boden's viral illness, with Gloucestershire should has to be said that India's surely have acquired by now overall bowling strength is of an intimate knowledge of his | uncertain balance. | undefeated on 86 at the end. | sence of Courtney Walsh and | sound sense. He was 43 not | Jack Russell, relishes responsibility. Bowling accurate melling the sound sense in the close when Glouces-an intimate knowledge of his | uncertain balance.

Brown blasts

ALISTAIR BROWN, six-specialist for Surrey, proved his pinch-hitting Surrey beat Kent. the Sunday champions, by 150 runs at The Oval. If Ray Illing-worth's new band of selectors are not to be tarred with the brush of their un imaginative predecessors they will surely name Brown next weekend in their squad for the one-day internationals against India.

Queensland captain, signed as a replacement for Mark

made 91 for Leicestershire.

Rugby Union

Wigan pay hosts by making off with silver

Chris Hewett on how the rugby league club tweaked more southern noses by winning the Middlesex Sevens

Union rung down the curtain on a century of cold-shouldering and thrown open their inner sanctum to the chill winds of professionalism than Wigan delivered the oldest sucker-punch in the book. The Trojan Horse had noth-ing on events at Twicken-ham on Saturday. Shaun Edwards and his

extravagantly gifted league Titans won the Middlesex Sevens at a canter and in so doing served notice on their long-despised south-ern cousins that an even greater humiliation was being meticulously planned for a fortnight bence. Wigan take on Bath under 15-a-side rules at the same stadium on May 25 and on the latest evidence no one will be risking too much money on the state of the

If Edwards had always dreamt of playing at Twick-enham it is a fair bet that the opportunity to undo a few old school ties also played a part in the fantasy. He certainly had his wish fulfilled: Wigan saw

HERE'S gratitude for off Richmond and, joy of you. No sooner had joys, Harlequins in the the Rugby Football early rounds before outpacing Leicester in the last four and Wasps in a com-

pelling final.

"We came to represent rugby league and we showed our game in a good light," the captain said very much in missionarv mode. "There are some fan-tastic athletes among us. as think we proved out there. People in this country should give league more of a chance."

A glance at the Wigan

team sheet was enough to confirm Edwards's later as-sertion that, having been invited to compete for their first union title, they had no intention of heading back up north without it. They pulled in all the 15man experience they could find in Martin Offiah, Scott leaguists such as Andy Far-

of breath-taking quality and had he not missed the climax of the competition with ankle trouble Leicester and Wasps might have suffered even greater em-barrassment. Without him Wigan still put a total of 11 tries past the two biggest guns ranged against them. It was a chastening experience for Lawrence Dallaglio. a renowned sevens specialist and hot favourite

to take over the England captaincy at the end of the summer. His Wasps side matched Wigan for desire and beat them hands down for pos session, but were light-years adrift in the more fundamental physical qual-

ities of pace and dynamic

strength.
"These players are fully professional in outlook and preparation and it will be interesting to see how we compete against them a year from now, when we've had the benefit of a seafind in Martin Offiah, Scott son's full-time fitness work." he said. "I still mala and all three were mightily effective, yet the union game, but it will obfrightening aspect from viously be a whole lot Bath's point of view was the adaptability of career between the two sides last

rell, Gary Connolly and, most notably, the young New Zealand maestro Henry Paul.

Closer, indeed, than Bath must have imagined when they agreed to play the match in the first place.

Heineken League: Treorchy 31, Neath 58

Neath strike it rich but need one more bonus

Robert Armstrong

take the Heineken League title at the Gnoll tomorrow night provided they beat Pontypridd and score at least seven tries. That outcome to their final game would leave their closest rivals Cardiff, who are level on points but six behind on try count, needing to score 14 tries against Llanelli at the Arms Park to finish ahead of the Welsh All Blacks.

The bonus-points system for tries, which gives a win ning team between two and about the imminent departure denied a second time. One five points, is ideally suited to of senior players such as the thing is certain: the Gnoll Neath, whose dynamic ballhandling style propelled them to this 10-try victory. Tre-orchy were not overwhelmed — indeed their five tries brought two bonus points but Neath's superiority in pace and technique put them

in a different class. Their progressive coach Darryl Jones said: "I'm de-lighted we've pushed a team like Cardiff right down to the wire. Even if there were no tour of Australia.

It would be a helluva thing for us to score seven tries against

Among Neath's scorers at The Oval was the former Wales captain Paul Thorburn, who at 33 may well have played his last game for the club. Next season he will focus his energies on his new iob as tournament director for the 1999 World Cup.

Jones remains pau Glyn, but is less sanguine about the possible loss of Leigh Davies, the 20-year-old Wales centre who made a powerful impact in this year's Five Treoretry D. Lovel, J. Ruggs, P. Jones, R. Treoretry D. Lloyd; J. Ruggs, P. Jones, R. Treoretry D. Lloyd; J. Ruggs, P. Jones, R. impact in this year's Five Nations Championship and has been targeted by a clutch of leading English clubs, including Loiceton and Harle.

Impact in this year's Five National Program A Lewis, D Evans (capil. C Rees (W Boom. 62min), M Smith (J Summers, 82, 4 Thomas Et Lee, 68), M Powell S Evans, A Freeman, N Jones, R Pash, D Owen cluding Leicester and Harle-

try to play an open game. But the first thing we have to do cause there's not a great deal against Pontypridd is win the of wealth in Neath," the coach game before thinking how explained. But we have quite many tries we need to score. a number of talented players aged 19, 20 or 21 in the side, so we're optimistic about keep-ing it all going and perhaps winning things.

It is a coincidence that third-placed Pontypridd, who beat Neath in the Welsh Cup final nine days ago, once again stand between the young pretenders and a major title. Having scored a total of 114 tries in 21 league games. Llewellyn brothers Gareth and | will be no place for neutrals.

Neethe P Thorburn: D Case (M Morres, 65), L Davies. H Woodland. R Wintle; G Evans, P Horgan; L Gernard. B Williams, J Davies. Glyn Llewellyn, Gararth Llewellyn (capt), R Jones, I Boobyer, S Williams. Referee: H Lewis (Pontypridd).

Tennents Scottish Cup final: Hawick 17, Watsonians 15

Crowd inspires Hawick to first prize as Welsh caps fightback with late try

Gordon Lyle

well as the Scottish Champi-onship in 1974, they extended the sequence with this vic-tory over Watsonians in the inaugural final of the Ten-

nents Scottish Cup.

Long before the silverware was handed over and paraded around the town on the upper deck of an open-top bus yes-terday, Scottish club rugby revelled in unprecedented scenes. Sky-divers, a gladiato-rial anthem to welcome the teams, and the release of teams, and the release of certainly noticed that in the thousands of balloons were first half when Hawick scored

all in the package as the old | a try the crowd went wild."
lady of Murrayfield hitched | In fact Alistair Imray's try up her skirt. A crowd of 22,759 savoured the occasion.

Jim Hay, Hawick's interna-

tional hooker whose heel against the head at a late scrum near his own posts denied Watsonians a chance of a match-winning drop goal, summed up the atmosphere. "The Pilkington Cup in Eng-land started in front of crowds of seven or eight thou-sand and took a few years to sand and took a few years to build up into a showpiece. Hopefully this can be a big event too if everybody gets behind it like the Hawick people did. We've only got a population of 15,000 but nearly everybody seemed to be at Murrayfield."

Watsonians' Skipper Fergus Henderson admitted: "We Science, C Mather, G Hannah, C Brown. I Sinclair.

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In fact Alistair Imray's try began Hawick's fiercely committed fightback from a disastrous opening spell when Scott Hastings crossed for Watsonians and Duncan Hodge notched a try, conversion and penalty. Colin Turnbull took Hawick to within three points with a secondhalf try converted by Scott Welsh, who dealt the killer blow by wriggling over the line with six minutes to go.

clair. **Ieres:** J Fleming (Boroughmuir).

Hockey

in the 42nd minute, the goal

OB THOMPSON's 50th in-ternational goal was not enough for Britain to avenge their 3-2 defeat a week ago by Malaysis on the final day of 2-2 in the third-place match and lost 4-3 on penalties.

equaliser, his 34th goal for

Malaysia went ahead again | matches at Milton Keynes.

being credited to Shankar Ramu, the former Cannock player. The ball ended up in the goal after Ramu took a free-hit, British players pro-tested in vain that the ball was not played by a Malay-sian in the circle. But three minutes later they drew level again as the ball was worked to Nick Thompson at their second penalty corner. In the penalty competition McGuire

Mayer's shot was saved. South Korea won the trophy, beating Australia 4-2 on penalties after a 0-0 draw.

Olton retained the AEWHA winning all four of their

shot against a post and Chris

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Touslass Nots won by six wickets.

SOMERSET
M N Latinwell c Metcatte b Tolley 28
P D Bowler c Pick b Bates 24
S C Ecclestone c Pothard b Tolley 18
R J Harden c Johnson b Calms 68
S Lee c Johnson b Pick 68
B J Turner b Pick 68 Did not her S Emotify. G lates, Martin.
Bowlings Mulially 8-1-27-2; Parsons 8-0-32-2 Remy 5-0-31-0; Wells 3-0-31-0; Plerson 7-0-64-1; Simmons 8-0-40-1; Maddy 1-0-14-0. Unspires H D Bird and R A White.

Total (for 8, 40 overs) 23:2 Falls 41, 89, 76, 208, 212, 213, 222, 232 Did not bash A R Caddick, H A) Trump, Bowrlings: Fennett 8-0-44-0; Pick 8-0-39-2; Tolley 8-0-50-2; Calms 8-1-42-2. Bates 6-0-43-1; Archer 2-0-12-0.

Total for 4, 36.3 overs).

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Battes, R A Pick, D B Pennett.

Bowlings Caddick 6,3-0-35-0; Rose
8-1-58-0; Ecclestions 8-1-49-1; Lee
6-0-44-0; Trump 3-0-44-3.

Umplress B Leadbeater and R Palmer.

Politics of States 8-0-41-2; Jarvis Bowlings Orakes 8-0-41-2; Jarvis 8-0-30-0; Law 4.1-0-41-0; Giddins 8-0-3-0; Newell 2-0-22-0; Phillips 6-0-51-0; Unspirate J W Holder and V A Holder

MIDDLESEX v DURHAM Lord's: Middlesex won by 17 runs. MIDDLESEX

Extras (b4, lb8, w2, nb2) 14

Total (for 5, 40 overs) 208

Fall of wicketss 8, 80, 113, 129, 162.

Did not bask K P Dutch, A R C Frazer, R A

Fay, D Follett
Bowillings Betts 5-0-32-0; Brown 8-0-35-2;
Foster 5-0-27-0; Killeen 8-0-37-1; Colingrecod 8-0-37-1; Bainbridge 5-0-30-1.

DURMANI
S L Campbell at Brown b Weekes 29

M J Foster c Pooley b Frazer 6

S Hutton c Gatting b Carr 7

J E Mornie c Carr b Follett 12

"M A Roseberry the b Carr 12

P Bainbridge c Ramprakesh 12

P Bainbridge c Ramprakesh 34

P D Collingwood at Brown b Weekes 5

C W Scott c Weekes b Dutch 17

N Killeen at Brown b Dutch 32

S J E Brown not out 14

M M Betts c Follett b Dutch 11

Extras (b2, Rb, w5) 191

Table 159, 155.

Bowfings Fay 8-1-34-0; Fraser 8-1-38-1; Foliett 8-0-48-1; Carr 5-0-25-2; Weekee 8-0-29-3; Dutch 2-1-0-10-3.

Sengitree: A Clarkson and J H Harris.

The Over Surrey won by 160 rune.
SURREY
D M Ward run out
A D Brown b Eathaun
A J Hottlicake c Llong b Fleming
C C Lowis c Walker b Fleming
B C Hollicake ibw b Fleming
B C Hollicake ibw b Fleming
D J Skichnell not out
Extras (b8, 810, w5, ab2)

Total (for 5, 40 overs) 307
Fall of wicketss 127, 186, 251, 296, 305.
Did not bet: "1A J Stewart, G P Thorpe, M
P Bicknell, R M Pearson.
Bourling: Wren 6-0-43-0; Thompson
3-0-30-0; Hopper 8-0-50-0; McCague
8-0-43-0; Eatham 7-0-63-1; Fleming
7-0-46-3; Liong 1-0-18-0.

KENT
TR Ward c Stewart b M P Bicknell 24
M V Fleming c Julian b M P Bicknell 4
C L Hooper c Stewart b Julian 43
G R Cowdrey c Brown b Julian 43
M A Ealinar C Thorpe b A J Molitoake 10
M J Walker run out 43
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Total (26.5 overs) 157 Falls 6, 49, 69, 81, 111, 111, 120, 132, 150, Bowdbag M P Bückneli 6-0-39-2, Lowie 4-0-24-0; Julian 6-0-39-2; A J Hollicate 7-5-0-34-6; 3 C Hollicate 3-0-20-0 Umpiras: K J Lyona and B J Meyer. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE v GLAMORQAN Northamptons Northamptonshire won by

NORT number Norman Norm

Starting today S M SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP (11.0, three days): Chehusterds Essex v Gloucesterakie. Pentypridd Glamorgan v Somersst. Bladdstonet Kart v Lelcratershire. Hashingdom Lancachire v Surrey. Worcester: Worcestershire v Northamptonshire. Todmordens Yorks v Notts.

Saturday's board

BRITANING ASSURANCE COUNTY
CHAMPIONESUP (Today, 11.0 unless stated): Residentified the Horizothia E39 (W K M Benjamin 117. A M Aymes 113. P R Whetaler & R A Smith SO. J P Stophenson SO) and 135-7 (Such 5-27). Excert <22 (S G Law 143, C A Cooch 130. W K M Benjamin 4-86, Cut Trafferde Lanceshire 485 (W K Hegg 134, M A Atherion 87, G D Lloyd 85. N J Speak & S, Pleroton 4-100. Lelocatershire 308-7 (B F Smith 81, P A Nizon 74 no. D J Miller \$1 no. Waddingor 4-86). Lear & Middleston 191 (M W Gatting 171. P N Weekes 73, Betts 4-101). Durham 209 (C W Scott 53). Morthamptonshire 450-8 (B K M Gatting 171. P N Weekes 73, Betts 4-101). Durham 209 (C W Scott 53). Morthamptonshire 200 (G F Archer 83. Roos 5-41) and 22-0. Glamorgan 351-7 dec (G P Butcher 90, S P James 78, M P Maymard 52). Tausstoss Nothenghamshire 200 (G F Archer 83. Roos 5-41) and 22-8 (Roos 7-47). Sconsarset 305 (S Lee 82, P C L Holkowsy 50, Pennet 4-16) and 130-0 (M N Lsthweif 65 no. P D Bowler 57 no.) Somenset (23pta) boal Nothinghamshire (S) by len wickets. The Owal (10.0): Kenl 225 (M A Esham 51) and 41-6 (D F Pillon 59, M F Pinling 59, Surray 300 (M A Butcher 94. B P. Juillan 74. C C Lewis 61. Thompson 5-9. Howeve Warwickshire 845-7 dec (D A Roevo 108 no. 7 L Penney 134. N V Kright 132. D P Ostior 80). Suesez 222 (D R C Lew 53. Welch 4-50) and 187-8 (J W Hall 57. A P Weste 51). Sheeffield: Yorishner S81 (M G Bevan 136. A McGrat 91, D Byss 72. C White 61, M D Moson 99. Melsoom 4-105, Darbyshira 388-4 (D M Jones 204 no. J E Owen 101).

the doctor in new carry-on

prowess again yesterday as Brown made 84 off 50 balls to help Surrey reach

307 for five in their 40 overs. With David Ward, overs. With David Ward, whose 112 was his Sunday best, he put on 127 inside 18 overs. Brown's first two scoring shots, off his second and third balls, went for six off Thompson. The last of his four sixes, also off the bankes doctor. also off the hapless doctor, travelled 110 yards; had it cleared the 90ft-high pavil-ion, which it failed to by feet, he would have won £50,000 from Foster's. Another pinch-hitter, Neil Smith, thumped 111 off 87 balls. With Ostler (91 not out) he shared an unbroken

third-wicket stand of 214. a Warwickshire Sunday re-cord for any wicket, as Sus-sex lost by eight wickets at Hove with 5.5 overs unused. Stuart Law's first Sunday century guided Essex to a 10-wicket win over Hamp

shire at Southampton. The

GB revenge denied on spot

Pat Rowley

the Sultan Azlan Shah tour-nament at Ipoh. Britain drew Thompson, captain for the day, scored a 20th-minute

Britain, as he dived to turn in Philip McGuire's free-hit. In close to 100F Malaysia's Mun Fatt Lam had earlier inter-cepted a pass by Jon Wyatt on the half-way line and raced under-19 club championship, through to score.

SOCCER: FA CUP FINAL

Manchester United, England's wealthiest club, are still cleaning up the silver. But do they have enough polish for Europe?

United conquer Everest—agai

David Lacey

NE inspired pass-ing shot amid much repetitive baseline play wise uninspiring game of doubles at Wembley on Saturday and spared everybody a tie-break. No wonder the Duchess of Kent, who does not wear thermals to watch this sort of thing at Wimbledon. gratefully stretched out a fro-zen hand to greet Eric Cantona as soon as he approached the Royal Box. Cantona's second most fam-

ous kick in English football had just completed Manchester United's second Double in three seasons, adding the FA Cup to the Premiership title won six days earlier. The Double used to seem beyond the reach of the most accomplished teams, United among them, but now, like Everest, it is becoming a well-conquered

peak.
United are the first club to achieve the feat twice but will surely not stop there. Since a Premiership plutocracy was created, the wealthiest club have won the two major domestic honours five times out of a possible eight and have been runners-up twice.

Not that it has all been about spending power; Andy Cole, an expensive error at £7 million, proved as much on Saturday. Success in football will always be about talented and under Alex Ferguson United have won nine trophies in the Nineties, not

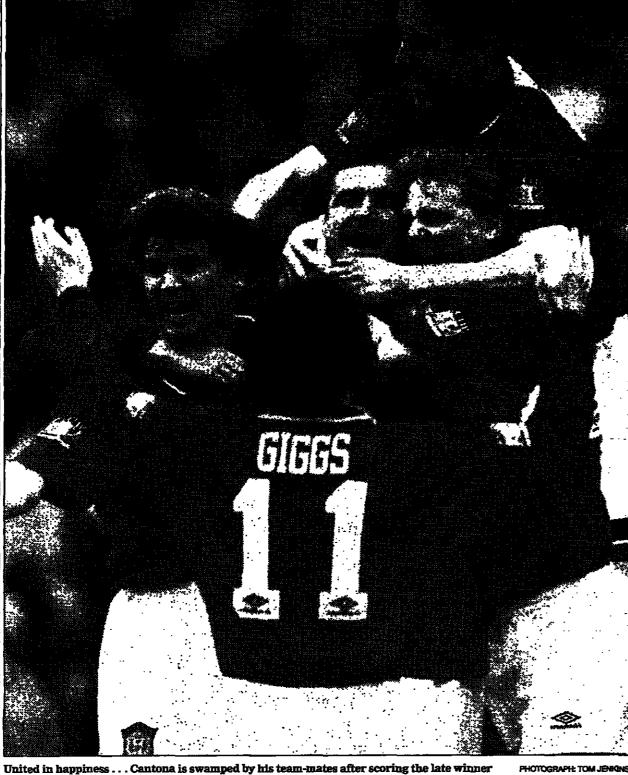
counting two Charity Shields. Wisely, in his latest moment of triumph, Ferguson managed to keep a sense of proportion. "It is tempting to think that nothing could be better than today." he said, "but there's that challenge to do better in Europe next time. And it's going to be better, I'll

tell you that right now."
It needs to be. Unless United make a bigger impact in the Champions' League than they have done so far be short-lived.

Another Double for United means that Liverpool will be competing in the next Cup Winners' Cup as FA Cup runurday they assumed as if to the manner born. This is an odd thing to say about Liverpool but theirs was a strangely withdrawn performance. Maybe the fact that in the Premiership while bley, an afternoon devoid of United were winning it this commodity was virtually played a part in conditioning guaranteed. Fun be damned the teams' approach; United He wanted to win the Cup were urgent throughout but again and did so with a game Liverpool rarely shook off plan designed to stifle Liver-

their languor. The more the match was hyped as the final to end all in particular. finals the more disappointing Keane was the overall spectacle was

shot in the fifth minute the match might have opened up and Wembley would not have largely diverted into culsdematch might have opened up and Wembley would not have



from the finish for something significant to happen. Yet the moment Ferguson

announced that he wanted his pool's passing in general and the influence of McManaman

Keane was crucial to the scheme of things, producing one of the best midfield perforone of the best midfield performances ever seen at Wembley.
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Fowler were starved of ser-vice. Neither disturbed Schmeichel's afternoon and only Collymore forced the

Against Keane, Liverpool needed a greater physical presence in midfield than Barnes and Redknapp could provide. Yet Thomas only appeared once a goal had been conceded. Rush's farewell ap-pearance was announced with

20 minutes remaining but the exhausted Barnes, not Colly-more, should have gone off. Cole had left seven minutes earlier. His poor first touch had seen half-chances for United slip away during their early period of domination and his eventual replacement by Scholes was inevitable. Cole hardly looks the man to

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fences next season.

The goal followed a sloppy sequence of events which typified the game: a missed placed pass by Butt and a sliced clearance from Babb that gave United a corner on the right. As Beckham prepared to take the kick Cantona was hovering near the penalty spot. Then, as the ball came over, he backed off in

Previously James had caught everything, as well as keeping out an earlier far-post volley from Cantona. But now, in going for the corner, he was not quite all there. His punch lacked weight and simply dropped the ball to where Cantona was lurking in the arc. Showing the same mastery

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of body control as when he gave his kung-fu demonstra-tion at Crystal Palace, the Frenchman volleyed a shot through a thicket of players utes later he completed his rehabilitation in football by receiving the Cup and a Duch ess's congratulations.

To the sub-species who spat on him as he was mounting the steps to the Royal Box Cantona offered nothing more than a withering look — which would have been a wiser response at Selhurst Park.

Richard Williams, like millions of others, was disappointed with the Cop final and blames Alex Ferguson stactics

historic double Double, and Man-chester United's coming the first team to win the FA Cup nine times, will dominate the coverage of their last-minute triumph at the nature of the 1-0 victory over Liverpool raised at least as many questions as it

It is naturally tempting to concentrate on enjoying the extraordinarily dramatic climax of Bric Camona's "beau tiful adventure" and to join the chorus of praise for Alex reguson's success in Alex Ferguson's success in bring-ing a set of largely home-grown young players through to maturity. But the 85 min-utes of play leading up to the Frenchman's decisive strike had provoked another set of emotions which should not be swept away by mere relief at a satisfactory denouement.

A poor match settled by

moment of individual brilliance came at the conclusion of a season which saw the repeated humiliation of English sides in international competitions for reasons which are widely recognised

if only dimly understood.

Memories of terrible nights
against Spartak Moscow. Rotor Volgograd, Brondby, IFK Gothenburg and Bayern Munich were swiftly — too crash-hang entertainment of the closing stages of the Premiership campaign, and by a self-satisfaction founded on the new commercial prosper ity. On the eve of the arrival of the continent's best teams for the finals of Euro '96, the style of Saturday's match once more aroused serious doubts about English football's place in the wider scheme of things.

Ferguson, as is his way, was relaxed and genial in vic-tory. No wonder. Cantons had saved him from the accusation that would otherwise have greeted him when he faced the press after the match, and which would no doubt have sent him into one of his famous rages: why on earth had he sent out his side with instructions to betray the club's heritage quite so comprehensively?

There will be a reluctance ed's serene enjoyment of their latest triumph. People looking for mitigation will say, with some truth, that it took two underachieving teams to add the 113th FA Cup final to the list of Wembley anti-climaxes, and the fault was not United's alone. They will also, and quite correctly, praise the extraordinary devotion to duty shown by three young players — Ryan Giggs, Nicky Butt and particularly David Beckham — who subordinated their natural instincts to the task of smothering Liverpool's attacking the years of his stewardship. Wembley appearance with forces. Through their selfless More importantly, as he just a little less enthusiasm.

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United rarely miss an opportunity to remind outsiders of their own unique qualities.

inacceptable, and it might as well be a sympathetic neutral who has taken an unbiased pleasure in their progress to fulfilment under Ferguson, a questionably in the right place but whose instincts sometimes lead him astray. His defensive factics on Saturday would have been sort of thing in Europe now.

understandable, even justi-fied, if he had been sending out a team to represent, say, Coventry City or Southampton, clubs of modest means unday afternoon. The directors and limited recent achievewould represent the highlight of a difficult decade, by what of a difficult decade, by what was contrived. Son for getting his priorities

been seen as an opportunity to would have happened on that most 30 years ago had Best, Charlton and Aston been as

he Buropean Cupilinal? ... Even before Saturday's were back in the European Cup next season. They had nothing to fear on that score. The Cup final should have been an occasion for self-expression, a day to give a player such as Giggs the chance to display his skills

for the general enjoyment. Neither team should defude itself that Saturday's cautious Europe Frank Clark's faith in "caginess" during Notting-ham Forest's Uefa Cup saw his team through against Auxerre and Lyon, after being embarrassingly outplayed, but the strategy came apart against Bayern Munich. To play the ball ground at the back under no pressure, as both Liverpool and United did, is to misunderstand what years ago, and what Baresi and Blind are doing today. Liverpool's tactic of trying to release surrogate wingers up the touchlines is simply Olde English football in another guise. The message of the world game today is one of sophisticated attacking by players who can move forward as a unit, using angles to take opponents out with every pass.

Butt, Beckham, Giggs and Cantona played a handful of passes of a quality that would

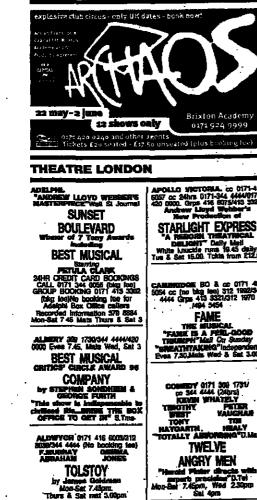
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Bassett's bark makes Palace bite

Russell Thomas

Manager

RYSTAL PALACE, benefiting from a typically forthright Dave Bassett lecture at half-time, overcame acute early embarrassment at The Valley yesterday to tilt the balance in their favour in this first all-London play-off, Bassett's team were trans-

formed in mood by two goals in six minutes from the onloan Kenny Brown and Carl Veart and will now be heavily backed to complete this semifinal job in the second leg at Selhurst Park on Wednesday and reach Wembley on May 27. Yet Palace can hardly afford the uncertainties that bedevilled them in the first half against a brisk, inventive Charlton Little wonder Bassett said, "We're not going

home on the coach crowing." Palace's replies came from improbable sources. Brown forged forward to volley home after 65 minutes, and Veart bravely headed in his first process of the club in the first in goal for the club in the 71st. It was a timely response from Veart after Bassett's appeal to the Selhurst Park fans to end their barracking of the Australian striker, who had followed his manager almost immediately from Sheffield

United in February. Bassett, chasing the helped engineer the winner. seventh promotion of his The Scot's shot was diverted managerial career, is accustomed to coping with end-of-season tensions. In the first half, many of his players distincily did not. The interval message to a "team of individ-uals" was simple. "We told them at half-time to please play the way we have asked them to," said the manager. Yet Bassett refused to

defender Andersen for the blunder that threatened to blight Palace's day as early as the 55th second. It was a mistake on a scale to match the size of the Norwegian.

Andersen was under no immediate pressure from any Charlton player when Jackson, from the right flank, delivered the game's first cross. The Palace defender fell, most deliberately to his kneet the deliberately, to his knees to deliver an intended clearing header. Martyn somehow blocked the deflection with a leg but Newton drove the rebound home.

Palace's three-man central defence threatened to disinte-grate in the face of Charlton's urgent attacking but Martyn was somehow spared, having to spread himself only once more in the first half as he diverted Newton's bouncing

Petterson made a similar save, turning away Ndah's curling drive before the real Palace surfaced. Chariton's defence was suffering increasing discomfort before the pain of the equaliser, delivered crisply inside Petterson's near post by Brown after Freedman's own volley was

Freedman, arguably the most transformed Palace player in the second half, by Petterson and, from the corner, Ndah's overhead kick was met by Veart's stooping header.

Chariton Athletics Petterson, Jackson, Rufus, Batmer, C Whyte, Robson (D Whyte, 72min), Bowyer, Robinson, Newton, Laaburn, Allen (Neison, 60).

Crystal Palsocr Martyn; Tuttle, Roberts, Andersan (Oulinn, 83). Edworthy, Houghton, Pilcher, Brown, Vaart, Freedman, Ndah.

Referee: J Kirkby (Sheffield).



Armed rivals . . . Rufus of Charlton, left, and Palace's Ndah in mid-air combat at The Valley

Leicester City 0, Stoke City 0

Poole harbours hope

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an incident in the fifth minute yesterday brought him to mind. Poole, Leicester's goalkeeper, had already stuck out a foot when Sturridge was put clean through by Claridge's faulty back-pass. Then Devlin crossed. Potter headed and Poole threw himself across goal à la Gordon Banks (Mexico 1970) to save a seemingly certain goal. As Banks was watching here, the connection was made.

Poole will not make many better saves though, given the sluggish tendencies of his defenders, he will have plenty of | bilities of goals than at the

will start as favourites then,

Stoke, who finished two points ahead of Leicester in the league, were the pick of came from corners. two mediocre teams, better organised defensively and made his only significant more resilient in midfield, save, plucking a Claridge with Sheron and Sturridge up front epitomising the whole team with their purposeful,

no clean chances but his all-round play and linking with Sturridge offered more possi-

chances to at the Victoria other end, where Claridge Ground on Wednesday. Stoke was frequently isolated. Only when Parker replaced ELE is not often mentioned in dispatches from Filbert Street but Stoke, who finished two game, and even then their

From one of these Prudhoe

header away from his near post. But, if the match is remembered at all it will be Seruess running.

Sheron is a man reborn, or he may have been making a point with Leicester's manager Martin O'Neill, who let him go from Norwich. He had no clean chances but hie all how he kept it out," said O'Neill. "But it kept us in the game"— and in the hunt. Leleaster City: Poole: Grayson, Whitlow, Watts, Walsh, Izzel, Lennon, Taylor, Claridge, Robins (Parizer, Smill), Heakey, Stoke City: Prudhos: Clarison, Sandford, Sigurdason, Whittle, Pother, Devlin, Wellace, Sturridge, Shearer, Glegnorn Referees W Burns (Scarborough).

Second Division: Bradford City 0, Blackpool 2

Seasiders swim with tide

lan Ross

moribund spectacle even if it was with some this first-leg meeting of two clubs aspiring to lock horns regret, that they took their with the First Division's finest come August. Sadly, it was a mirror image of so affair stripped bare of all

niceties.
Bradford may now miss out but, even so, a club who have for so long been con-tent to plod along patiently in the shadow cast by more flamboyant neighbours are

place in yesterday's game; except for a loss of form so dramatic as to beggar belief many other play-off semilit would have been they, finals: a dull and fractious and not Oxford United, accompanying Swindon Town on the automatic-promotion track.

tion track.

It was all predictably frantic, with lots of rash challenges, ill-defined tactics and badly channelled

way of goals proved more difficult.

The goals that should carry the Seasiders to Wembley came late. Tony Ellis drilled in smartly after 72 minutes and Mark Bonner headed in Andy Watson's marvellous cros with calm authority six minutes later.

Bradford Citys Gould; Liberd (Hestord, h-1), Moisan, Brightwell (Kiwomys, h-2), Jacobs, Shutt, Dusbery, Youds, Hersilton, Stalbard (Tolson, 74min), Ormondroyd. flamboyant neighbours are beginning to stir. A new stand will rise during the summer recess and the flashes of skill amid the summer T Heibron (Newton Aychife).

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ROYAL WINDSOR HORSE SHOW: Barbour GP1. Toggie Santa's Etho (T Stockdais) clear, 41.36sec; 2, Flo Jo (M Hughes, Irs) 4ths, 37.76; 3, Sublime (N Steuton) 4,
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ice Hockey RIML: Standay Cape Play-off semi-flushin Eastern Conference: Pitisburgh 7, New York 3 (Pitisburgh win series 4-1), West-ern Conference: Colorado 4, Chicago 1 (Colorado lead series 3-2).

Motorcycling

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Real Tennis

Sport in brief

McRae crashes out of Indonesia Rally

THE world champion Colin McRae crashed out of the latter stages of the rain-hit Indonesia Rally yesterday when leading the three-day event comfortably by three minutes. The Scot, hit by failure in the intercom link with his naviga-tor Derek Ringer, lost control of his Subaru Impreza on a muddy stretch and went into a series of high-speed rolls. Both

men were unhurt. The new Indonesia event, predicted to be one of the world rally circuit's toughest because of the heat, rain and treacherously slippery roads, eventually went to the former world champion Carlos Sainz in a Ford Escort. He took over after the Finn Juha Kankkunen smashed the front of his Toyota Celica

on a jump when leading with only three of the 27 stages left. At Silverstone, Britain's Andy Wallace and co-driver Oliver Grouillard of France won the British Empire Trophy race in a Harrods McLaren for the second successive year. The Franco-British pair finished the fourth round of the world sportscar endurance championship 1min 16sec in front after four hours

Doohan handed Jerez victory

MICHAEL DOOHAN, Australia's 500cc world champion, won motorcycling's Spanish Grand Prix in Jerez yesterday after Alex Criville crashed when leading into the final bend.

The Spaniard had fended off challenge after challenge for 24 of the race's 27 laps but, with the finish in sight, Doohan's Honda

took Criville on the inside and the local idol lost control as he tried to respond. He walked away apparently unhurt. Doohan faced a chorus of whistling on the victory podium but

videos confirmed he had played no part in causing the crash.

Motorola pulls plug on cycling

THE electronics company Motorola is to pull out of cycling sponsorship at the end of the season. Team Motorola are led by the American former world champion Lance Armstrong, who went into yesterday's final stage of the Tour Du Pont with a clear lead, and are the only American team in the Tour de France.

The world pursuit champion Graeme Ohree is expected to unveil his new monocoque bike at the British track championships, which open at Manchester Velodrome on Friday week. With his home-made "special" models running into problems with officialdom, the Scot has turned to the Devon-based con-

World Bowl for Murrayfield

THE Scottish Claymores will be the home team in this summer World League of American Football World Bowl game after holding Frankfurt Galaxy pointiess in the Galaxy's first defeat of the season, beating them 20-0 in front of 32,000 German fans at the Waldstadion on Saturday, writes Michael Carlson.

The Claymores ended the season's first half with a 4-1 record by

shutting down a Galaxy offence averaging 37 points a game, earning a Murrayfield finale when James Fuller — cut by Frankfurt in the pre-season — led the way with two interceptions.

Meanwhile, the Monarchs' misery continued when the London

side put on another woeful offensive display to lose 28-9 at the Amsterdam Admirals. T C Wright scored three touchdowns, including one on an 85-yard punt return, as London lost for the fourth time in five games.

FA goes formal for Gorman

THE FA's chief executive Graham Kelly has formally approached Bristol City for the release of their assistant manager John Gorman so that he can join the England coaching set-up under Glenn Hoddle, writes Martin Thorpe.

It is thought that Gorman will become an assistant to Hoddle as well as taking over the scouting duties of Ted Buxton. Gorman was Hoddle's No. 2 when the new England coach was in charge of Swindon three years ago.

chairman Geoffrey Richmond has hinted he has money to spend. Tough and tumble, and Blackpool were the better side by a Golden Mile. But

TRED limbs and tired minds reduced to a moribund spectacle moribund sp In a seven-horse timed barrage for a £3,200 prize the Chesham rider and his 15-year-old Irish-bred grey achieved the only clear round, after Ireland's Marion Hughes and another grey, Flo-Jo, found rare pace to go round the quicker by more than three seconds but hit the final double to finish second.

George Bowman led throughout in winning the horse teams section, the senior division of the Harrods International Driving GP, for the 10th time in 22 years.

Davies plays to the gallery

THE former real termis world champion Wayne Davies beat his fellow Australian Paul Tabley 6-2, 6-2, 6-1 in the final of the BNB Resources British Professional Championship at Holyport near Maidenhead yesterday, *writes David Frost*. Davies is now New York-based, Tabley is the Holyport club professional.

Dailly late finish Weekend results rescues United

DUNDEE UNITED'S chances of a return to the Scottish Premier Division dramatically improved when Christian Dailly scored an equaliser in the 86th minute of their promotion-relegation play-off against Partick Thistle at Firhill. "The most important goal

of my life;" said the 22-year-old after he had set up a tantalising second leg at Tannadice on Thursday. Thistle had taken the lead after 19 minutes from an 4,831

after 19 minutes from an Andy Lyons free-kick.
Crewe, two goals up in 17 minutes, were pegged back to a 2-2 draw by Notts County in the Second Division play-off at Gresty Road thanks to a last-minute strike by Grey Mortin ute strike by Gary Martindale. Colin Little and Mark | First leg Rivers had scored for Crewe but County had fought back with a goal from Steve Finnan. Plymouth's manager Neil

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from Steve Finnan.

Plymouth's manager Neil Warnock claimed his players had been hit by missiles thrown from the crowd during the 1-0 defeat at Colthester in the Third Division play-off. Hereford took the lead in the division's other game at Edgar Street but Darlington fought back to win 2-1.

Brigg Town had a comfortable 3-0 victory over Clitheroe in the FA Vase final at Wembley. Carl Stead gave Brigg the lead with a superb goal after 37 minutes and scored his second in the 65th minute with a well-taken penalty. Clitheroe's Steve Lampkin contributed the third with an own-goal.

Auxerre won their first first fresh was Guingamp on Saturday. Borussia Dortmund retained the German championship when Bayern Munich lost 2-1 at Schalke.

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between Bates and Harding which began last year and

culminated in Bates banning

Harding from the directors box in November. The pair then appeared to make up and

put forward their partnership plan, which included Chelsea

being floated on the Alternative Investment Market.

Harding's financial com-

mitment to the club he has

supported for most of his 42

years is not as substantial as it appears. Although he did

agree last year to take over the £16.5 million bank loan on Stamford Bridge, it is under-

stood he is charging Chalse

2250,000 a year rent. Part of the aborted agreement with

Bates would have seen him

transfer the ground to Chel-

sea in return for equal shares

The £5 million that Harding paid for the north stand is a

loan. However, it does not

transfer account is thought to

be in bank guarantees only, and can be withdrawn at 30 days' notice. If he decided to call in the loan, Chelsea

would have to sell players.

which would do nothing for

his reputation with the

supporters.

It also understood that the

have to be repaid until 2008. However, the £5 million that Harding has put into the

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HE peace pact be-tween the Chelsea

chairman Ken Bates and the club's million-

director Matthew Harding has come apart. Harding had promised to put £10 mil-

lion into team building but, only a week after losing

Glemn Hoddle, Bates is ex-

pected today to freeze out Harding by formally with-drawing the offer of a partner-

ship in the club.

This would have seen the

young pretender made vice-

chairman, and chairman of the committee to oversee

playing affairs and transfers, and would have given him equal shares with Bates in

It is understood that Bates has lined up alternative sources of finance. This

means that the new player-manager Ruud Gullit can con-

timue to try to realise the club's aim of turning the

Chelsea team into a force to be reckoned with. He plans to

sign top international play-ers; Vialli and Klinsmann are

among those mentioned. It is

almost certain to restart the

public row between Harding, the darling of many support-

ers, and Bates, the respected

CS GAS, flares, stolen tick-ets, wrongly ejected sup-

porters, crowd abuse: Satur-

day's FA Cup final was a

perfect dress rehearsal for

The FA chief executive Gra-

of the problems that

but prickly chairman.

bortsGuardian

Bates blows

Chelsea pact

stood to have been prompted

by his growing impatience with Harding's delay in sign-

ing the partnership agreement.

The deadline was April 30, then an extension was agreed.

But the final straw is thought

to have come on Friday, when

Harding says he has delayed signing because Bates will not furnish him with the

information he needs about

who actually owns Chelsea Village, the company that owns the club. Bates owns

only about a third of its

shares; ownership of much of

And so we have the latest money Harding promised for round in a highly public spat players had strings attached.

the rest has never been pub-

licly revealed.

Martin Thorpe on the ticket chaos and

abusive fan problems at the Cup final

Harding made more demands.

Christie wins but will not be drawn on **Olympics**

Duncan Mackay

INFORD CHRISTIE made a highly encouraging start to what he savs will be his last season when, on a dank afternoon before a handful of spectators in a small stadium in Arnsberg, Germany yesterday, he won the 100 metres in 10.20sec. But he refused to end the speculation about whether he will be on the start line in Atlanta 75 days hence to defend his Olympic title.

After leaving a field that included the European indoor 60 metres champion, Marc Blume of Germany, and the improving Belgian Patrick Stevens trailing with a powerful last 50 metres, Christie made it clear he had no intention of making his plans public for a while yet. "No Olympic questions" were his first words as he walked into the

post-race press conference.
"I am running one race at future; I don't. I am just having fun at the moment. If I go to the Olympics you'll see me. But you won't see me next season; this is definitely my last

Nearly 12 months have passed since Christie wept on television and declared that the pressure was too much for him and he would not defend his Olympic crown. But he has trained with the same commitment as for the past decade.

"They have all been ask-ing, 'Is Linford going?'," said Christie. "I leave them to it. I don't need the pressure. If I go to the Games, there is nothing to prove.



Muscle machine . . . 'No Olympic questions' said Christie after yesterday's 100 metres win

omeone as competitive as he would be content with a valedictory tour round the

aspiring to the title of the

Yet it is hard to believe | month, he is still capable of | Birmingham, by which time he should have bad world's fastest man.

He is unlikely, though, to himself against some of his

would be in Atlanta. Many of those rivals have already shown some sharp early-season form. Dono

> in Tokyo five years ago. remember that his time in Arnsberg was faster than the 10.3sec he ran at the start of his Olympic-win-ning year in 1992 and the 10.26 in his first race in 1993, the season he won the world title in Stuttgart and set his European record of 9.87. "It was not too bad for a first race," said Christie,

Football songs have

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reduce grown

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good. They beiong in a museum of bad art, along

Wood's films,

van Bailev ran 10.07sec in will face the European Chamericks ran an effortless ham Kelly has already or-dered an investigation into 10.09 in Osaka on Saturday; Carl Lewis is in his best shape since he beat Christie for the world title the incidents in which Eric Cantona was spat at and a punch was thrown at Alex But before anyone is Ferguson as the pair climbed tempted to suggest that Christie is already off the the steps to Wembley's Royal pace, it would be wise to

Box to lift the Cup. "We are very concerned with the situation," said Kelly, "and we will be reviewing this matter urgently with Wembley."
According to the Wembley spokesman Martin Corrie, the likely Cup final solution will see the two areas either side of the steps to the Royal Box given over to neutral support-ers rather than fans of the competing sides. For England who was paid \$27,000 internationals these are al-(£18,000) to run yesterday. ready family areas.

Liverpool fans on the side where the Cantona incident took place were near enough to have earlier abused United's substituted striker Andy Cole and thrown objects at him as he sat on the bench. Then as Cantona climbed the steps, one fan spat what appeared to be a mouthful of orange juice at the Frenchman. who reacted calmly and con-

tinued on. The culprit was not apprehended but Supt Ray Muspratt of Liverpool police said yester-day that "if the Met Police send a video of the incident we will endeavour to identify the person and arrest him".

Altogether there were 73 arrests at the game, including two for carrying CS gas, small cannisters of which are on open sale on the Continent. An Italian-style red flare was also let off at the United end. Security checks on Saturday led to delays in support-

FA investigates crowd incidents that cast shadow over European Championship Unfortunately they had been sold as part of a package to a

group of people in South Af-rica, who had travelled over at up to £3,000 each only to find themselves refused Another 32 Liverpool sup-porters were ejected before

ered that their tickets were genuine and that a stolenticket list provided by Liverpool FC was wrong. "We are extremely embarrassed and greatly sympathise with these people at missing the game," said Cor-rie, "but we could only work to the lists, and these came

from Liverpool." Given the recent row over the authentickets, could this be a portent for the summer? Alex Ferguson wants a six-

Alex Farguson wants a six-year contract and Manchester United appear willing to grant it him. "We're very happy to give him a new con-tract," said the chairman Martin Edwards, "I hope he stows as long as he wants to." ers entering the ground but | Martin Edwards, "I hope h caught about 100 tickets that stays as long as he wants to."

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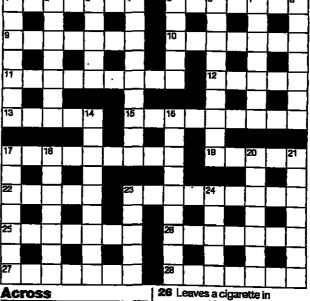
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1 Superseded newsmen, say (7)

5 List the revised order (7) 9 Given tea, grimace in

disappointment (7) 10 The princess's baby with a following (7) 11 Paste soon formed from talc

12 Blue or quite proper? (5) 13 The mother set about some soldiers -- fancy! (5) 15 The way article can be

delay (9) 17 Simple church with music and comfortable seating (4-

placed in between without

19 Trees may be clipped (5) 22 Animals in a nature reserve

look a picture of health (5) 23 Cheat set up as agreed (9) 25 The squeeze that restricts one personally (7)

general (7) 27 The governor joined in it (7)

28 The new toaster revolves (7)

Down

1 Cut tax on a large number 2 Calm head receiving state

backing (7) 3 Poles go after listening equipment with gains (5)

4 The plant granted a loan isn't broke (9)

5 A little instant rice-based

meal — truly instant (5) 6 Person advising modish

worker about figure (9) 7 Today's dark, so a child must keep near (7)

8 Corrupt — and stick up for the lawman! (7) 4 Contrive to get at inside of

This week's winners of a Colline Finglish Dictionary are Pat Warren of Crayford, Kent, W. G. Roberts of Chesterfield, Derbyshire, May Rattray of Stirling, Scotland, John & Norma Stringer of Ewhurst Green, East Sussex, and Mrs. M. Newbury of Looe, Cornwall.

16 A killer -- one not known to accept money (9) 17 Egghead accompanied by rat possibly being caustic

18 Walk lumberingly along

quiet promenade (7) 20 Upright, but not wellbehaved (7)

21 Failing to reach a conclusion (7) 23 Lance rendered sterile (5) 24 Round up catch for painting

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